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The New York Times.

THE WEATHER.
Fair and slightly colder; winds northwesterly.

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THE NEWS CONDENSED

Stock market irregular.

Cash wheat, No. 2 red, $1.00¾; cash corn, No. 2 mixed, 36⅝c; cash cotton, 6 3-16c.

CONGRESS.—President McKinley has come to understand the depth of the war feeling that animates both houses of Congress, and has supplied members with a more detailed idea of his intentions with respect to Cuba. Impatience of delay is manifested in both houses, and only the President's assurance that he expects a definite termination of the negotiations with Spain within a very short time prevents immediate action. In the House yesterday, the Naval Appropriation bill being under consideration, Mr. Johnson (Rep., Ind.,) made a plea for peace which was received with hisses by the occupants of the galleries. Mr. Lewis (Dem., Wash.,) denounced the reported intention of the Administration to accept a money indemnity for the loss of the Maine, and Mr. Bailey (Dem., Texas,) protested against any action on the part of this Government which would compel the Cubans to purchase their independence from Spain. Mr. Grosvenor (Rep., Ohio,) whose intimate relations with the Administration gave significance to his remarks, replied to Mr. Bailey. He declared that the negotiations with the Spanish Government were not understood and that the President never had entertained for a moment the idea of paying a money consideration for the freedom of Cuba. Speaking of the Republican policy he said: "There is not one man, from the President down to the humblest member of this floor, who will ever, without the consent of the Cuban insurgents, ratify, agree to or approve any settlement of the Cuban question that does not involve absolute independence for Cuba." In conclusion he alluded to the Administration's vast preparations for war as an earnest of its intention to secure the freedom of Cuba by force if peaceful methods fail. In the Senate the resolution calling on the President for the Cuban Consular reports was recommitted to the Foreign Relations Committee. Mr. Allen (Pop., Neb.,) made a speech for Cuban independence. The Sunday Civil Appropriation bill was considered; but not passed.—Page 3.

FOREIGN.—The Anglo-Egyptian troops on Wednesday reconnoitred the position of the dervish force, eighteen miles from Atbara. The Court of Cassation in Paris is hearing the appeal of M. Zola, the novelist, against his sentence. It is predicted that the condemnation will remain, but the sentence will not be executed. The German cuiser Gazelle was launched at Kiel and christened by Prince Henry of Prussia. Karditzi and Georgii, who attempted to assassinate King George of Greece, in Athens, were sentenced to death. The British steamer Leechmere, from Newcastle, March 23, for London, has not been heard from. Japan is said to have asked the United States to join Great Britain in supporting her refusal to withdraw from Wei-Hai-Wei. France and Russia are trying to prevent a ratification of the Chinese loan.—Page 7.

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Miss Clara Barton has decided to resume her work in Cuba, and will leave Tampa on Monday's steamer.

The growth of the Volunteer Reserve movement has made necessary an increase in the clerical force at headquarters.

A member of the Naval Board on Auxiliary Cruisers said yesterday that the board was nearly through with its work on small vessels and would soon be ready for large ones.

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Gen. Blanco has published an important decree in Havana in which he directs the end of the reconcentration in the four western provinces of Cuba. The people are to be enabled to go where they please and help will be given them to resume work on the farms. They will have employment on public works also as a means of temporary subsistence.

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Ex-President Harrison arrived at the Fifth Avenue Hotel yesterday. He issued a statement last night explaining his presence in New York, and contradicting several rumors for which his visit formed the basis.

The Colonial Club of New York gave a dinner last evening to Joseph Jefferson. A toast, not on the programme was offered to President McKinley, and was received with much cheering. It was followed by the singing of National airs and of "Dixie," and "Maryland, My Maryland."

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Noah Raby, an inmate of a New Jersey poorhouse, says he will celebrate his one hundred and twenty-sixth birthday to-day. His story is quite generally believed.

The authority of the Gledhill Investigating Committee was called into question by counsel for a witness who declined to be sworn. An extra session of the Legislature may in consequence be called.

The session of the State Legislature for 1898 closed yesterday. The tax rate was fixed at 2.08 mills. Provision was made for several investigations. The bill favored by the Civil Service Reform Association, affecting the civil service of municipalities was passed and will become a law. Senator Cantor, the Democratic leader in the upper house, announced his retirement.

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The Mary Arden Club gave a Shakespeare luncheon at the Murray Hill Hotel yesterday.

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Steve Brodie, the bridge jumper, died yesterday while on his way from Chicago to this city.

The Hoboken Common Council has finally given permission for the erection of the Heine monument, "The Lorelei," in Hudson Park.

The Woman's Law Class of New York University held their graduation exercises at Madison Square Garden last night, forty-seven young women receiving diplomas.

A dinner was given by the Hamilton Club of Brooklyn in honor of Dr. William H. Maxwell, City Superintendent of Schools. President Draper of the University of Illinois was present. Judge Van Wyck made a reference to the possible war with Spain in a patriotic speech.

The funeral services of Anton Seidl were held yesterday noon and afternoon, and the body was taken to Fresh Pond and cremated. Private services were held at Mrs. Seidl's home about noon, and public services in the Metropolitan Opera House immediately thereafter. The programme of the public services, previously published, was carried out. Robert G. Ingersoll sent a long telegram, which was read by H. E. Krehbiel.

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W. F. Goerdes, broker, was sentenced to four years and six months in prison for attempted forgery.

The Institute of American Marine Underwriters was formed yesterday at a conference of marine insurance men.

Justice Dickey has approved plans for a traffic agreement by which trains of the Long Island Railroad will cross the bridge by way of the Brooklyn Elevated Road tracks from Flatbush Avenue.

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Paul Bauer, alias George W. Duval, was convicted and sentenced for robbery yesterday, and his combined sentences for three crimes now amount to twenty years and seven months.

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Trustees of the George Washington Memorial Association met at the Marlborough Hotel yesterday.

Mayor Van Wyck received the commander of the Austrian warship Donau courteously at the City Hall yesterday.

D. C. Breckinridge was held in a police court yesterday on a charge of giving a worthless check for $50 to a saloon keeper to pay a bill for whisky and beer.

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Dr. Tarleton H. Bean was removed yesterday as Superintendent of the Aquarium, the office being abolished.

William L. Morton of Brooklyn married a colored concert Hall singer. His father now threatens to disinherit him.

At the session of the New York Conference of Methodists in the Metropolitan Temple yesterday there were frequent demonstrations of a patriotic character.

At a meeting of the Park Board yesterday the contract for the erection of horticultural buildings for the Botanical Gardens in Bronx Park was awarded to John R. Sheehan for $110,000.

An order was asked for in the Supreme Court yesterday to compel Oscar Hammerstein to vacate his house, which had been sold under foreclosure. Mr. Hammerstein said last night that he would move to-day.

At the demand of John C. Sheehan, Mr. Croker gave orders yesterday that John B. McGoldrick be dismissed from the office of Chief Clerk of the City Court. It was done, and T. F. Smith, Mr. Croker's private secretary, was named in his place.

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SPAIN'S POSITION HOPELESS.

The London Press Unanimous in Urging Her to Accept the Terms of the United States.

LONDON, April 1.—The Times says editorially this morning:

"It is evident peace and war hang in the balance, and that the world has not long to wait for definite information. It cannot be supposed that America's terms have yet been published in their completeness, but they may be guessed to include complete freedom for Cuba.

"The Spanish Government will make a fatal mistake if it fails to understand the terms now offered, which are the best it is ever likely to obtain; and if they are not promptly accepted it is to be feared that the next presentation of American demands will be in a harsher shape. With every sympathy for Spain, her Government, and dynasty, it must be said that the Government of Cuba has been a scandal which would have been resented even by other nations if they had been in as close proximity as the United States.

"It behooves Spain to consider whether Cuba is worth fighting for in such an unequal conflict that it is even doubtful if Spain would gain a temporary success, while her ultimate defeat would be certain. A moderate naval force could reduce the island by starvation, and privateering could not, in practice, be carried to any extent worth mentioning by Spain without calling for the intervention of neutral nations."

The Washington correspondent of The Daily Mail asserts that President McKinley has addressed a note to the Spanish Government demanding independence for Cuba in such peremptory terms as to amount to an ultimatum, and that Spain must reply to-day (Friday.)

The New York correspondent of The Daily Telegraph, after asserting that President McKinley has demanded Cuban independence, adds:

"Spain has asked and obtained from the United States Government a delay of twenty-four hours for a reply, which, if it does not practically free Cuba, will be immediately followed by an ultimatum."

The American dispatches to the other morning papers do not go so far, but it is universally conceded that America's demand for armistice must perforce imply Cuban independence. All the editorials are based on this supposition, and follow the Times in advising Spanish acceptance, with the financial advantages for Spain which undoubtedly accompany the demand. The Daily Telegraph says:

"The ultimatum is one which other nations can only take note of in sorrowful and anxious silence."

The Daily Chronicle discusses the American demands as marking a crisis involving a momentous turning point in American history—namely, "the abandonment of Monroeism, which is a subject fraught with momentous issues for mankind."

The Westminster Gazette of yesterday afternoon, noting "Spain's difficulty in yielding, in view of the danger threatening the dynasty," asks: "How, in this situation, can Europe best help Spain and the Queen, whom all respect?" and answers:

"By an expression of opinion so unanimous and decisive that, in bowing to it, the Queen and her Ministers would seem to be yielding to force majeure. If this is done and President McKinley pursues the policy of saving the face of Spain by a scheme of purchase or other means, a conflict may be avoided without serious damage to the existing dynasty. We hope our Government will advise the Spaniards, in the strongest language, to make terms."

AMMUNITION FOR CUBANS.

Heavy Shipments Reported to Have Been Made from Chicago.

CHICAGO, March 31.—The Times-Herald will say to-morrow:

"Cuban agents or sympathizers in Chicago are busy shipping gunpowder and cartridges to the Florida coast. At Miami it is taken aboard small filibustering ships that deliver it to the insurgents.

"Twenty carloads have been shipped within a month, and half as many more are now being arranged to follow. These cars go carefully packed in cans, buckets, kegs, barrels, and crates bearing the brands of various packing houses, and is billed upon the cars as packers' products."

NEW YORK BOY A FUGITIVE.

The Juvenile Asylum Sent John Neese to an Illinois Farm—He Is Arrested in Chicago.

CHICAGO, March 31.—John Neese, seventeen years old, is being cared for at the Desplaines Street Police Station and to-morrow the police will make efforts to send the boy to his home in New York. The boy is bright and intelligent, and lives at 70 East Ninety-fourth Street, New York. One night, two months ago, he says he left his home and attended a theatre. On returning home he was accosted by a strange man who compelled him to accompany him to the office of the Gerry Society. The stranger told the boy he had been out too late, and after the lad had a bath he was put to bed. The next day he was taken to the Juvenile Asylum in One Hundred and Seventy-sixth Street, and kept there until two weeks ago, when he was suddenly sent to a farm in Southern Illinois.

The boy says he demanded explanations, but received none. At the farm he was compelled to work very hard, and Wednesday he ran away, and made his way to Chicago. He arrived here this morning, and told his story to the police.

John Neese is the brother of Mrs. Joseph Woods, whose husband is the janitor at the apartment house, 70 East Ninety-fourth Street. Mrs. Woods said last night that she had put John and Robert, who is two years younger, in the Juvenile Asylum on Feb. 1, 1896, as she was a widow at the time, and was afraid they might get into mischief. She said the understanding was that they were to be committed for only two years, and that on Feb. 1 of this year, after buying a new suit of clothes for each one she went to the asylum to get them out, when she was told that she had committed them until they became of age.

She was surprised to hear of John being in the hands of the police in Chicago. She said she had Robert produced in the Supreme Court last Tuesday on a writ of habeas corpus, but while the Justice said that he would release him, as far as he was concerned, the matter rested in the hands of the Gerry Society. Mrs. Woods says she has two married sisters, and between them they are fully able to take care of the boys if they can get possession of them. She is afraid Robert is going to be sent away also, as her sister called at the House of Reception, 106 West Twenty-seventh Street, yesterday, and found him there instead of at the Juvenile Asylum.

NOT HOPEFUL IN MADRID

Fresh Proposals Are Said to Have Been Transmitted to the United States.

BELIEVED NOT TO BE PACIFIC

Spain Encouraged by Cuban News of Pacification—Sagasta Would Like to Submit the Maine Question to the Powers.

MADRID, March 31.—The feeling in Madrid to-day is pessimistic. Nothing definite has been revealed by the Government as to the nature of the negotiations being carried on with the United States. But the newspapers, although ignorant of the actual proposals of the United States, constantly urge no surrender. The Heraldo (Independent) and the Nacional (Conservative) oppose even the suggestion of an armistice, and the Correo (Liberal) makes a furious appeal to Don Carlos.

There seems to be a general feeling that should the Government yield to the demands of the United States serious internal complications would arise.

Besides the usual Cabinet meeting, the Ministers held a conference with Minister Woodford, when, it is said, fresh proposals were made.

The Cabinet Council lasted an hour and a half. Crowds of people watched the arrival and departure of the notabilities, but otherwise there was no evidence of interest in the subject in Madrid. Nothing definite is yet known concerning the decision arrived at. But the impression prevails that Spain has not agreed to the proposals of the United States.

Prior to the council a note briefly relating the Queen Regent's ideas on the subject of the reply to be given the United States was written. On this being read at the council, Señor Sagasta, taking a paper from his pocket, announced that he also had condensed his opinion into a few lines, which he proceeded to read.

It is understood that he touched, one by one, upon all the questions raised by the United States, and indicated the limits to which in his opinion it would be possible to go without prejudice to the national honor or dignity.

All the Ministers, including Gen. Correa, Minister of War, "saw their thoughts reflected in Señor Sagasta's expose, which they unanimously approved."

The Ministers then proceeded to the palace, where they gave an account of the proceedings to the Queen Regent, who approved them.

After the Cabinet meeting the Ministers had another hour's conference, and the following semi-official note was issued:

"Captain General Blanco telegraphs an account of a glorious combat of Gen. Luque against the insurgents commanded by Calixto Garcia, and also makes excellent reports of the progress of the operations, setting forth that the pacifications are so advanced in the western provinces that the concentration of the people has been revoked. Public works are also being begun to give employment to all applicants. In view of this, new and important submissions are expected."

At Minister Woodford's conference with Señores Sagasta, Guilon, and Moret, Señor Sagasta's note, translated into English, was submitted to Gen. Woodford, who, after reading it, said: "I am solely authorised to negotiate ad referendum, and therefore I will transmit the Cabinet's reply to Washington."

The text of the Sagasta note has not been made known, the Ministers maintaining absolute reserve, but the Cabinet is said to have given "proof of sentiments of the greatest conciliation."

The Minister of Public Works, in an interview to-day, said the last twenty-four hours had brought a favorable change in the situation. When the Minister was asked if he meant on account of the news from Washington, he replied:

"No. Our feelings of satisfaction do not refer to the United States."

Señor Sagasta, in an interview to-day, declared he would do everything possible to maintain peace, but, he added, "we cannot submit to any attack on the honor or integrity of the country."

At the conference yesterday between Señor Sagasta, the Premier, and Señor Gamazo and Señor Silvela, leader of the Dissident Conservatives, the Premier unfolded the terms proposed by the United States Minister, Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, and the Opposition leaders counseled their rejection. Señor Sagasta replied that, personally, he was not disposed to accede to them. He added that he would like to submit the question of the loss of the Maine, which was not touched upon at his conference with Gen. Woodford, to the European powers.

SPANISH NEWSPAPER COMMENT

General Opinion that the End of the Crisis It at Hand—Spaniards Facing War Resolutely.

MADRID, March 31.—It has been a day of great anxiety. The papers have confined themselves to ambiguities on the subject of the Cabinet Council. It should be said to their credit that they have displayed great prudence in their suppositions and comments, showing their appreciation of the fact that in the present critical time it is hazardous and might be prejudical to the country to discuss the situation without sufficient knowledge of the conditions.

The evening papers, without exception, consider the situation unchanged, notwithstanding the recent conferences. They generally admit that Minister Woodford's conduct of the diplomatic negotiations is very friendly, and that he is desirous of peace; but the Spanish Government is reported as "unflinching and opposed to any, even friendly, interference to terminate the war, except through its own efforts"—a war which they claim is "nearing the end and is daily crushing the rebellion."

El Liberal (Moderate Republican) says:

"The moment of the dénouement (solution of the crisis) has drawn much nearer. There may yet be found means to delay matters, but we doubt it.

"We ought to apply ourselves to obtain a gain of time or heartily devote ourselves to the contrary. In our opinion, it would be acceptable, even preferable, to accept any extreme measure which would cut the knot if we failed to untie it. The situation is such that by avoiding an external struggle we may fall into a still graver one—namely, an internal upheaval."

El Liberal concludes by calling upon the Ministry to identify itself with the unanimous feeling of the country and to place everything before the primary interest of the nation and proceed with discretion and coolness, but at the same time with undaunted firmness, "for there is a limit which Spain can not and will not overstep—that limit is marked by the respect it owes the world and its own sovereignty."

El Liberal says a dispatch from Señor Polo y Bernabé, the Spanish Minister at Washington, was read yesterday at the Cabinet Council, giving his impressions of the feeling in America, which, he declares, is in no way favorable to Spain. He points out that the Maine report was only referred to the Foreign Relations Committee with great difficulty, as 187 Representatives voted for its immediate approbation without waiting for the Spanish report. This proposal, adds Señor Bernabé, was rejected, but the jingoes appeared to be greatly annoyed.

The Imparcial (Independent) says:

"Despite the hope of the last few days, it is now believed that a conflict is near. We are confronted with a danger which, whatever may be thought, President McKinley cannot change. The nerves of Spaniards are being hardened to resist coolly the consequences of this danger. We are all Spaniards; our mission is to save the national honor, and it rests with the Government to take energetic resolutions.

"It is urgent that we should prepare warships and send them to Cuba. The cruisers Cristobal Colon and Princess de Asturias and the Destructor, now at Cadiz, should start as soon as possible, and the first-class ironclads Pelayo and Emperador Carlos V. should follow promptly.

"The United States, who during the delicate and strained relations between the two countries has sent ships to our waters or thereabouts, cannot complain at our sending a squadron to our own waters. It would be curious, in the face of the universal law of right, for visitors to override the master of the house. Such a visitor would be simply a bandit. It would be ignominious not to send our squadron for fear that Yankee vessels would try to prevent it."

The article concludes by counseling the people to be calm and not to embarrass the Government in its difficult and ticklish task.

El Pais (Republican) characterizes the statement regarding the reconcentrados in Cuba as a fable, and declares that the United States could not intervene without provoking the protests of Europe nor seize the Maine disaster as a pretext for war without scandalizing the world; therefore, the Government has "adopted humanitarianism as a means to cloak its sinister designs."

The semi-official Globo says it is the general opinion that "we are approaching rapidly the end of the struggle. Forewarned against evil, we nevertheless still hope for the best."

El Tiempo (Conservative) expresses confidence that the Government will in any case rise to the loftiness of its duty, the public accomplishing its duty by awaiting calmly the results of the conferences.

El Epoca, (Conservative,) says: "The Queen Regent, presiding at the Cabinet Council to-day, encouraged her Ministers to continue their animated, patriotic sentiments toward maintaining national honor and territorial integrity."

La Correspondencia de Espana, (Independent and semi-official,) publishes an interview with an "important political personage," who says, "Peace or war now hangs by a thread."

There is anxious expectancy regarding the reply from Washington.

GERMAN DEMANDS ON SPAIN.

Satisfaction Wanted for Damage Done by Insurgents—Warship May Go to Cuba.

BERLIN, March 31.—Germany has begun diplomatic representations to Spain relative to the Cannamaba case, and the German cruiser Geier, on her way to Bahia, has been ordered to get ready to proceed to Cuba if satisfaction is not quickly forthcoming.

The German version of the Cannamaba case is that some Cuban insurgents, during the night of March 18, attacked a German refinery at Cannamaba, (also written Cannamber,) belonging to the firm of Fischer & Schmidt of Trinidad, Province of Santa Clara. The insurgents are said to have rifled the safes, burned the buildings, killed four persons, and wounded ten occupants of the refinery.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The cable report from Berlin that Germany was menacing Spain on an old claim and was about to make a naval demonstration in Cuba attracted much attention. The German Ambassador, Dr. von Holleben, said that he had received no information as to this reported move nor was he acquainted with the Cannambra case referred to in the dispatch.

The Spanish Minister is also unacquainted with the Cannambra case, and does not credit the report that Germany has taken steps of a decisive character. The Spanish Ambassador at Berlin is the father-in-law of the Spanish Minister here, and the latter would be quite likely to know if Germany had made a move involving the dispatch of a warship to Cuba for punitive purposes.

HAVANA DEFENSE PLANS.

HAVANA, March 31.—It is ascertained on good authority that the Government at Madrid and the local Government had determined to provision Havana City for three months, as against a possible blockade of the port by the American fleet.

It also had been decided to bring 50,000 tons of coal to Cuba as soon as possible.

Lack of money militates seriously against carrying out either plan. A strong effort will be made to get a portion of the coal at least, but the provision question to all appearances has been dropped.

TO BENEFIT THE SPANISH NAVY.

MADRID, March 31.—The rush for seats for the performance at the Royal Theatre in behalf of the Spanish Navy increases. The Queen has paid 50,000 pesetas for a box, the Spanish Ministry paid 5,000 pesetas for a box, several capitalists are taking stalls at 150,000 pesetas, the Countess Bornos paid 100,000 pesetas, the Marquise Laguna paid 25,000 pesetas, the Bank of Spain paid 500,000 pesetas, and other organizations and individuals paid enormous sums.

Spanish Fours Unsettled.

LONDON, March 31.—On the Stock Exchange this morning Spanish fours opened lower, at 52⅝, and further declined to 52½; but later they rallied slightly to 52⅝. They weakened to 51⅛, and closed at 53. The closing quotation yesterday was 53⅛.

PARIS, March 31—1 P. M.—Spanish fours opened unsetled on the Bourse to-day at 52 7-16, to 52 13-16, against 53⅛, the closing price of yesterday. They closed at 51 13-16. After the close they advanced to 52⅝.

BARCELONA, March 31.—Spanish fours were quoted to-day at 73.30 on the Bourse.

MADRID, March 31.—Spanish fours closed to-day at 72.50.

Spanish Minister Not Apprehensive.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The Spanish Minister, Señor Polo y Barnabe, maintains his usual composure. His endurance has been placed to the test within the past ten days, for hardly a night passes that he and his entire staff are not engaged until 2 and 3 o'clock in the morning. When the critical condition of affairs was suggested to him this morning, he shook his head, indicating that he believed the apprehension was magnified, and suggested that as he had received an invitation to dine with a distinguished official the latter part of April it was hardly probable that he would be called upon to retire as a result of war before that time. On the actual condition of affairs the Minister preserves his usual absolute silence.

Bryan Is for Intervention.

LINCOLN, Neb., March 31.—W. J. Bryan to-night made the following statement in answer to the question whether, in his judgment, the time had arrived for the United States to intervene in behalf of Cuba and bring the war to an end:

"Yes, the time for intervention has arrived. Humanity demands that we shall act. Cuba lies almost within sight of our shores, and the sufferings of her people cannot be ignored unless we, as a Nation, have become so engrossed in money-making as to be indifferent to distress."

Spanish Torpedo Boat at Queenstown.

QUEENSTOWN, March 31.—The Spanish torpedo boat destroyer Audas, which was seriously injured while on her way to Spain, necessitating her putting into Waterford for shelter and assistance, arrived here to-day, escorted by the Osado, her sister ship, and entered the dockyard in the West Passage. It will take a month to repair the Audas.

Birmingham Projectiles for Spain.

BIRMINGHAM, England, March 31.—The Kynochs of this city have undertaken to deliver 200 huge projectiles weekly to Spain.

Of Interest to All Wheelmen.
Next Sunday's issue of The Brooklyn Eagle. Price 5 cents. A great cycle number.—Adv.

IN CASE OF ULTIMATUM

The Naval and Army Demonstration That Will Precede a Declaration of War.

THREE MOST EVIDENT MOVES

To Invest Havana by Troops and Warships and Cut Off the Flotilla—Officials Want to Strike Before Spain's Ships Can Unite.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—In the event an ultimatum is sent to Spain, the Navy and War Departments are prepared to have it accompained by decisive movements on the part of the Navy and Army of the United States. Officials in both departments say that it is usual in sending ultimata to take at the same time such steps as will enable the country sending it to strike an immediate blow in case its terms are not complied with. This was done by England in the Trent affair, and also when she sent her ultimatum to Portugal a few years ago. In the latter case she had a fleet in the harbor of Lisbon that could have silenced the Portuguese navy in a few hours. In the former instances she sent troopship to Bermuda and Halifax, so as to be able to invade this country within forty-eight hours or less if her demands had not been complied with by Mr. Lincoln.

The United States have not been in the habit of sending ultimata and no very clearly defined precedent has been as yet established. In the Chilean affair the ultimatum was carried by warships, and there was assembled in Chilean waters a fleet sufficient to enforce any demand of this Government. It was ample, in fact, to crush the navy of that country and capture Valparaiso. When the Barbary piratical Governments interfered with American commerce in the Mediterranean the ultimatum was also taken to the coast of Africa by ships of war, and there was power enough behind the demand to force it instantly.

What Will Accompany the Ultimatum.

While these two cases are hardly enough to have established a precedent in our foreign policy, it is thought that they will be followed as examples in the present trouble with Spain should it become necessary to send an ultimatum. As soon as it is determined to dispatch to Madrid a peremptory demand it is understood the squadron at Key West will put itself in readiness to move on Havana at an instant's notive, and that the flying squadron will start at once for its work of intercepting the torpedo and cruiser flotillas now on their way from Spain. In addition to this, the army will mass a considerable body of troops at Key West and Dry Tortugas for the occupation of Cuba. These plans have been thoroughly discussed in the departments, and should an ultimatum be sent to-morrow, as the Navy and War Departments expect, demanding a satisfactory reply by Saturday night or Monday morning, to be followed by a declaration of war in the event it is not satisfactory in every respect, the army and navy of this country are in position to act with absolute promptness and efficiency. Both realize that in modern warfare the first blow is generally decisive, and they are anxious to be able to take the initiative instead of leaving it to Spain.

The Blow of the Republic.

Democratic institutions prevent anything like secrecy of movement, and the blow of a republic must of necessity be delivered openly with full warning to its adversary; but there is no reason, these officers say, for talking so much and waiting so long that Spain will have the advantage of the first blow, and the moral effect of the attack.

A prominent army officer said to-day: "The President seems to be deliberately planning to force Spain to take the initiative. That may be good policy, but it is not good tactics. It may be magnificent, but it is not war. The time is past when the French guard says to the English gentlemen of the British Guard, fire first.' I should rather have this country accept the onus of declaring war and get with it the tremendous advantage of striking the first blow than to throw the onus on Spain, and give her the advantage of striking a telling blow at us."

Spain's Reinforcements.

The news received in the Navy Department to-day of the sailing of two additional cruisers for this country aroused the officials to renewed activity. This adds five formidable vessels to the fleet in Spanish waters about Cuba. It is thought that the rapid cruisers will be able to overtake the torpedo flotillas or rendesvous with them at San Juan de Puerto Rico within a day or two after their arrival at that port, and the entire fleet proceed thence to Havana Harbor. Naval authorities admit that if this is the programme Spain will have in that harbor by the 12th or 15th of April one of the most powerful fleets ever assembled in American waters. It will consist of six ships of battle line, all of them being powerful armored cruisers or second-class battleships; one torpedo cruiser, seven torpedo boat destroyers, and five torpedo boats. If these ships are allowed to unite in a single squadron the American squadron at Key West will have a foe worthy of its steel. It is probable, however, that as soon as war is declared steps will be taken to meet these vessels in detail and crush them before they can unite their forces.

WITH THE FLYING SQUADRON.

The Cruiser Columbia Joins the Command of Commodore Schley.

FORT MONRE, Va., March 31.—The belated cruiser Columbia, for which Commodore Schley of the flying squadron looked in vain all day yesterday, anchored off Fort Monroe this morning just after daylight. She spent some extra time on her trip from Philadelphia here trying the speed of her engines. Everything was found in satisfactory condition. She can make twenty-two knots per hour, and twenty-three if forced. She is yet to be painted the prevailing lead color, and may run up to Newport News for that purpose.

The unprotected cruiser Montgomery is expected here within the next twenty-four hours and the Minneapolis may get in this week. The Montgomery is capable of making nineteen and a half knots an hour. If the fleet moves, the speed, in order to keep together, cannot be in excess of the average of the Massachcusetts, which is sixteen and a half knots an hour. Commodore Schley estimates that the Columbia can be repainted in a day, and that if his other boats arrive he will be in complete form to move by Saturday or Sunday.

Commodore Schley and Capt. Cooke of the Brooklyn came to Fort Monroe frrom New port News this afternoon and selected an anchorage. Commodore Schley said that the Brooklyn and the Massachusetts would steam down in the morning. The minor repairs having been completed, the gunboat Vicksburg, which has been lying off here, has gone to the Norfolk Yard for completion. The Bancroft went up the roads to Newport News to-night for repairs.

At Newport News this afternoon divers were sent down to clear away the seagrowth from the bottom of the battleship Massachusetts. They did not accomplish much to-day, but the work will be resumed early to-morrow morning. It is probable that most of the woodwork on the vessels will be torn off to-morrow.

A score of seamen are in irons on the Massachusetts for drunkenness. Two boys were arrested this afternoon for selling whisky to the seamen. Officers of the ship complained to the police authorities to-day that liquor was being sold to the men surreptitiously.

The posting of two bulletins at Norfolk and their transmission here created great excitement everywhere, but especially among the naval officers. One announced that Spain had rejected all overtures, and the other that the flying squadron had been ordered to sea. Up to 9 o'clock to-night Commodore Schley had received no instructions to move, and he evidently did not expect them immediately.

CAPT. SAMPSON'S FLEET READY.

The Warships at Key West Getting Into Fighting Trim.

KEY WEST, Fla., March 31.—Every preparation for action was taken by the warships to-day. All woodwork was stripped off exposed spots and sent ashore. The wood pilot houses on the cruisers were taken down. To a certain extent interior woodwork also was removed and sent ashore. Even the sailors' wooden boxes were removed from some of the ships. These precautions have been adopted to prevent, so far as possible, the danger of flying splinters in case of action. The officers sent their personal valuables and belongings to be stored on shore.

The Castine and two torpedo boats left their anchorages after dark and steamed to the southward, where they will patrol during the night. This precaution was ordered by Capt. Sampson to-day. He is particularly anxious to watch closely the Havana entrance to this harbor, and also to afford additional safety for the Iowa, Indiana, and New York, which lie unprotected six miles out.

The naval station officials have received orders to overhaul their marine engineering stock, so that it can be used instantly in case of emergency. Torpedo boats not engaged in patrolling to-night made another attack on the battleships, but all these measures were guarded with the greatest secrecy. The establishment of a patrol is considered by the few who know of it as most significant. The entire fleet is now in readiness to move at fifteen minutes' notice.

SPAIN BADLY OFF FOR COAL.

She Really Has but Three Stations in Cuba and Her Supply Would Soon Be Cut Off in War.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—In the minute study of Spain's military and naval resources that is now being made by this Government, one of the most important questions considered is the facilities that country has for supplying her naval forces in the Western Atlantic and Caribbean with a good quality of coal. In this respect it is ascertained that no country of her naval rank is so badly off as Spain. Ostensibly she has nine coaling stations in Cuba and three in Puerto Rico, but really she has but three, all of which are in Cuba; namely, Havana, Trinidad, and Nuevitas. There are six other coaling stations in Cuba, but they are not controlled by the Government, and have very limited supplies of coal. These stations are Baracoa, Sagua La Grande, Cardenas, Matanzas, Cienfuegos, and Santiago. Scarcely any coal mining is done in the Spanish possessions on this side the Atlantic, and all the coal in Cuba and Puerto Rico is imported from Great Britain, the United States, or Nova Scotia. The bulk of it used to come from England, but the United States has lately driven England out of the market, and has been supplying most of the stations in Cuba and Puerto Rico with bituminous coal.

The supply of coal at the private stations in Cuba is generally very limited and of inferior quality. Baracoa has practically no coal. Sagua La Grande has a small quantity of bituminous American coal, but the station is not accessible for ships of more than sixteen feet draught. Cardenas has a fair quality of coal, but not much of it. The greater part of it is American, with some Welsh, Scotch, and English. Matanzas has a moderate supply of American, Lancashire, and Scotch coal, the great bulk of it coming from Pennsylvania. Cienfugos has some little anthracite and a considerable supply of bituminous coal. The United States furnishes most of it. Santiago has an ample supply of anthracite and Cumberland, and a small supply of Welsh, English, and Scotch coal. At this port American coal has driven English coal out of the market.

At the Government stations of Nuevitas, Havana, and Trinidad there is never kept a very large supply of coal, although at Havana there is an average yearly supply of about 80,000 tons. The other two stations cannot be considered as affording any facilities in coaling, as both together have perhaps less than a thousand tons. The Trinidad station is generally known as the port of Casilda, as Trinidad is three miles inland. At Havana there is kept usually a good supply of both anthracite and bituminous coal. The larger part of it is sent from this country, or about 120,000 tons out of a total of 180,000 tons.

The three stations of Puerto Rico are Ponce, on the southern coast; Mayagues, on the western, and San Juan, on the northern. At Ponce and Mayagues there was no coal at all when the latest information was obtained. At San Juan there were from 3,000 to 4,000 tons of bituminous coal. Most of it was imported from this country, England and Nova Scotia, supplying the remainder. All three stations are private.

In the event of war the coal supply from the United States would be shut off, and dependence would have to be placed upon England and Wales to supply the Spanish stations in the West Indies. Naval authorities here say that Spain's naval strength is commensurate with her ability to keep open these channels of supply. In other words, unless she can hold the sea open to her ships, and to the most vulnerable kind of ships—colliers—she cannot long maintain a naval conflict on this side of the Atlantic. Coal is absolutely essential, and it can only be had by transporting it in guarded freight ships from the other side. Part of the Spanish Navy would have to be engaged in this undertaking, while the rest of it would be engaged in the task of crushing the American fleet. The United States would have a tremendous advantage in this respect, and it is certain to use it at the outset by striking a heavy and decisive blow at the Spanish coal supply.

THE WEATHER.

The local forecast may be found at the top of this page to the right of the title.

An extensive area of high pressure covers the larger portion of the country extending from the South Atlantic and Gulf States throughout the central valleys to the lake regions and the Northwest. A storm of light energy lies off the New England Coast. The weather is for the most part clear east of the Mississippi, and partly cloudy between the Mississippi and the Rocky Mountains. Snow and rain have fallen in New England, and rain in the Middle and South Atlantic States during the past twenty-four hours. The temperature has risen slightly in the central districts of the country, and fallen on the Atlantic Coast and in the Northwest. Fair weather is indicated for all districts to-day, with somewhat lower temperature in New England and on the South Atlantic Coast. The temperature will rise slowly in the Southwest and fall in the Central Missouri and Upper Mississippi Valleys. The Lower Mississippi continues to rise slowly. At Cairo it has reached a stage of forty-eight feet, and at Memphis the danger line stage of thirty-three feet has been reached.

The record of temperature for the twenty-four hours ended at midnight, taken from THE NEW YORK TIMES's thermometer and from the thermometer of the Weather Bureau, is as follows:

	—Weather Bureau—		TIMES.
	1897.	1898.	1898.
3 A. M.	43	36	40
6 A. M.	39	35	39
9 A. M.	44	39	44
12 M.	46	42	51
3 P. M.	54	45	52
6 P. M.	51	43	48
9 P. M.	47	39	44
12 P. M.	38	35	39

THE TIMES's thermometer is 6 feet above the street level; that of the Weather Bureau is 235 feet above the street level.

Average temperature yesterday were as follows:

Printing House Square	44½
Weather Bureau	39½
Corresponding date, 1897	45¼
Corresponding date for last 20 years	41

The maximum temperature was 46 degrees, at 3:45 P. M., and the minimum 35 degrees, at 3:50 A. M. The humidity at 8 A. M. was 83 and 37 at 8 P. M.

WAR CLOUD G

Spain's Reply to the Pro of This Government Re Last Night in Washington.

ITS TERMS BELIEVED TO BE UNSATISFACTORY.

The President and His Cabinet Ex pected to Frame an Ultimatum at Their Meeting To-day.

The Message from Spain Understood to Plead for Delay and Offer Counter Propositions.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Spain has answered!

The response of the Sagasta Ministry to the proposition presented on Wednesday by Minister Woodford is in the hands of the Department of State. Whether it is for peace or war the White House people decline to say. The message is in cipher and is yet to be converted into plain language. That task may occupy several hours.

Assistant Secretary Day has announced to the waiting newspaper men at the White House that the contents of the dispatch will not be made known this morning. This is a plain story, in that there sounds no note of war, but the prospect is considered darker than it has been at any time since the relations of Spain and the United States began to suffer strain.

If Spain's reply were an acceptance of the proposition of the President a dispatch of one word announcing the decision would have come at once. A dispatch of such

OPINION OF THE PRESIDENT.

By a Representative Considered an Authority—The Answers to the Questions Have Been Made and Kept There Wait.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The Committee of Eleven appointed by the conference of the Republicans of the House, who are insisting upon prompt and aggressive action for the complete independence of Cuba, called upon the President at 2:30 this afternoon and placed before him their views. The conference lasted until 3:30 o'clock. The committee consisted of Representatives Hopkins, Mercer, Faris, Cooper, Sulloway, Knox, Joy, Hager, Lorimer, Pearson, Hepburn, and Smith of Michigan.

The committee reported to the conference at a meeting held after the adjournment of the House. They stated that the President made a frank declaration as to what was taking place between the two Governments, and concluded with these words: "I pray God that we may be able to keep peace." The impression left with the delegation, however, was that he did not expect a peaceable adjustment.

In strictest confidence Mr. McKinley outlined the course of communications between Washington and Madrid. He said that all now depended on dispatches to be communicated and received probably within forty-eight hours. The response of Spain to a message cabled it by this Government was expected hourly, and surely would be received within twenty-four hours. After it arrived, it would be necessary for this country to send another cable note as a reply to Madrid. All this might be accomplished in less than forty-eight hours. He therefore intimated that it would be gratifying if Congress deferred taking action until next week. Mr. Hopkins of Illinois, who made the report for the committee, said he felt it would be best to abide by the President's wishes. Others who spoke at the meeting, including Mr. Lorimer and Mr. Joy, had advised postponement. The President, they stated, suggested that what was related to them regarding the diplomatic negotiations should not be repeated until those negotiations were closed; that if these secret and significant messages were revealed at this time, and should become public property and be cabled back to Madrid, the publicity might hurt the cause and defeat the ends sought. Representative Hicks of Pennsylvania thought that, in view of the Dupuy de Lome letter, no further parley should be allowed, and that Premier Sagasta was acting in accord with the policy that the letter had revealed. Others followed in the same line, but it was finally concluded to defer action until after the adjournment of the House Monday.

POWERS MAY OFFER MEDIATION

A Procedure Usual Before War Is Declared—Austria's Minister at the State Department.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Among the callers at the State Department, this being diplomatic day, were the German Ambassador, the Austrian Minister, the Venezuelan Minister, and Mr. McArthur, Secretary of the United States Legation at Madrid, who has just arrived from the Spanish capital.

The presence of the Austrian Minister, Mr. von Hengelmuller, was of more than passing interest, owing to the close relations between Spain and Austria, and the reports from Vienna that the Austrian Minister at Washington was instructed to aid in any movement initiated by France toward mediation. Mr. von Hengelmuller saw both Secretary Sherman and Assistant Secretary Day. He asked to be excused from communicating in any way with the press. The State Department officials were equally reticent as to the purpose of his call. It is not believed, however, that any European power thus far has taken the first step toward mediation, although it will not be unexpected, and is even apprehended at any time.

The French Ambassador, M. Cambon, was not among to-day's callers at the State Department, so that it was apparent that France had not yet determined to make the first overture for mediation. Among leading diplomats the usual course of mediation is being seriously discussed on the presumption that it will become an actual factor in the situation if a war crisis develops within the next few days. A member of the corps said to-day that mediation preceded a declaration of war, and that if the great powers took any action it would follow quickly when it became apparent, as the result of Spain's reply, that an inevitable conflict was at hand.

He said also that under such circumstances, before Congress took up the consideration of the recently proposed declaration of war, it would be advised, through the Executive branch, that the powers desired a few days' delay, in order that their friendly influences might be exerted in order to avoid war. This diplomatic officer did not state this as an actual programme now contemplated, but as the usual procedure suggested by the present tendency of affairs.

ILLINOIS MEN WITH McKINLEY.

Thirty representatives of the Illinois State Government, on a tour through the East with their wives and daughters, who are staying at the Windsor Hotel, this city, yesterday sent the following dispatch to President McKinley through Mr. Leland of the hotel:

Windsor Hotel,
New York, March 31, 1898.

To President McKinley, White House, Washington, D. C.:

A delegation of thirty Illinois Senators and representatives have just arrived here, and wish to express themselves entirely in sympathy with you and the Administration on the Cuban question.

WARREN F. LELAND.

Mr. Leland sent the following, personally, to the President:

It is with pleasure I can say, with all good citizens of New York I have conversed with, that they approve of your policy.

MISS BARTON WILL RETURN.

She Has Decided to Resume Her Work in Cuba, and Will Leave Tampa Monday.

It was announced at the offices of the Central Cuban Relief Committee yesterday that as a result of the conference held at Washington last Sunday between Assistant Secretary of State Day, the members of the Relief Committee, and Miss Clara Barton, the latter will leave Tampa on Monday morning to take up again her work in distributing supplies to the starving Cubans. Stephen E. Barton, Chairman of the Relief Committee, stated yesterday that contrary to published reports, last Sunday's conference had nothing whatever to do with the alleged differences between Miss Barton and Dr. Louis Klopsch, a member of the committee, who is now in Cuba, personally inspecting the relief system.

"Dr. Klopsch's name was not mentioned at the conference," said Mr. Barton, "and nothing was brought forward by Miss Barton to show that she had been unduly interfered with by him. This committee, however, asked that it be made the agent of the Government in both the collection and distribution of supplies, and the request was readily granted. Henceforth the National Red Cross Society will distribute the supplies under the auspices of the committee as a body, and Miss Barton will make regular reports to headquarters here. Heretofore the committee has been charged simply with collecting supplies here and forwarding the same to Consul General Lee, having nothing whatever to do with their distribution."

Mr. Barton said he desired to correct an error which appeared in The Christian Herald of March 30 concerning the Red Cross in Cuba. It was stated that "one result of Dr. Klopsch's visit to Havana has been a division of work which will make it much more satisfactory hereafter. The Red Cross will henceforth devote itself exclusively to hospital, asylum, and kindred work."

The fact is, Mr. Barton states, that the National Red Cross will take charge of the distribution of relief supplies, at the request of the Government and the Central Cuban Relief Committee, and will work in perfect accord and co-operation with the Consuls. It will look after all necessary hospital work this side as heretofore, under the auspices of the committee only.

The steamer Bergen of the Munson Line will leave early this morning, taking supplies for Sagua La Grande as follows: 50,000 pounds cornmeal; 10,000 pounds clothing, and 60,000 pounds of assorted groceries, provisions, and medicines.

The last shipment made by the committee to the naval station at Key West via the Mallory Line, will be taken to Havana by a Ward Line steamer, and forwarded thence by rail to Sagua. This was the consignment which was left over at Key West upon the sudden withdrawal from the service of the committee of the Government vessel Fern.

NEW YORK READY FOR WAR

Appropriation of $1,000,000 Made by the Legislature for the National Defense.

THE FIRST STATE TO ACT

All Legislative Records Broken in the Passage and Approval of the Emergency Measure—Gov. Black's Message.

ALBANY, March 31.—The State of New York to-day appropriated $1,000,000 to defray the expenses of the National Guard and Naval Militia, and of volunteers furnished by the State, if called into service for the public defense on the request or requisition of the President of the United States. This State is the first to take action in this direction. The appropriation was made by the Legislature in response to the following message from the Governor:

To the Legislature:

Events are now transpiring of so grave and general import that the attention of every enlightened people is fixed upon our own. The crisis which our National Government now meets involves those deep considerations which affect the future of the race. To aid that Government by approval and support, to sustain its hand when raised for justice and fair play, is the duty of every State.

No hour has ever been so full of peril that New York has faltered while it paused. Because of her past history and her present greatness, she should be the first to understand the meaning of to-day. After long reflection, and with an earnest desire to do that which ought to be done, and to refrain from that which ought not to be done, I recommend that, before you adjourn, you take such action as your wisdom shall decide upon, to provide against such urgent needs as the future may disclose.

I hope the day is still remote which shall consume the means you set apart. But if the time should come when forbearance and national self-respect can no longer stay together, there can be but one answer to the duty thus arising. I believe you will not be in favor of anger toward any other people, but in the deliberate purpose to defend your own, and as a sign of hope to the struggling and distressed, realizing that patriotism without preparation is as fragile as a dream, I advocate that the enlightened sentiment of the world will justify you.

FRANK S. BLACK.

Upon the receipt of this message the following bill was introduced in the Assembly by Mr. Nixon, and in the Senate by Senator Higgins:

Section 1. The sum of $1,000,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the National Guard and Naval Militia of this State, and volunteers furnished by the State, or either of them, when called into service for the public defense on the request or requisition of the President of the United States; but no part of the money hereby appropriated shall be expended unless the Governor shall certify that in his opinion there is a necessity for using the same or a portion thereof, and in such case the same shall be paid by the Treasurer on the audit and warrant of the Controller.

Sec. 2. There shall be imposed for the fiscal year commencing on the 1st day of October, 1898, a State tax for such sum as the Governor shall certify to be necessary to meet the expenses authorized by this act, to be assessed, raised, levied, collected, and paid in the same manner as other State taxes.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

The Governor's message was received by the Assembly at 10:30 o'clock and within four minutes the bill appropriating $1,000,000 had been passed by that body by a unanimous vote, and sent to the Senate for concurrence. In the meantime Senator Higgins's identical bill had been advanced to the order of third reading in the Senate.

Senator Cantor did not object to the advancement of the measure, but wished it understood that it was the patriotism of the people that appropriated the money, and not a political party. He regretted that the Governor had not seen fit to follow the course of President McKinley in conferring with Democratic members on the measure. Senator Ellsworth replied that had time permitted the Governor would have been glad to have consulted with the Democratic members, but it was not until this morning that he had decided to send the message.

Upon the receipt of the Nixon bill by the Senate, it was substituted for the Higgins bill, and passed unanimously. As soon as the measure could be engrossed it was transmitted to the Governor, who signed it at 11:50 o'clock.

The measure will be known as Chapter 131 of the Laws of 1898. It was passed by both houses of the Legislature and approved by the Governor in one hour and twenty minutes, which beats all previous legislative records.

STRENGTH OF THE MILITIA.

Troops Ready for Action, 113,760—Men Liable to Military Duty, 10,378,118.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The Adjutant General's office has just completed a report on the organized militia of the United States. It has been called forth by the present crisis, which has made it an interesting and important question as to how strong this militia is, and how well prepared for taking the field for the defense of the individual States, or as part of the Federal forces. To enlist in the latter it has been decided that the militiamen would have to be recruited and examined, just as all recruits have to be, but they are able, without such examination, to act under State regulations as a home guard for the coast lines of the States.

The summary of this report, which is still in the printer's hands, gives the following information as to the militia in summing up its strength and availability. The term militia appears in the official designations of but two States—Massachusetts Volunteer Militia and Brigade of Rhode Island Militia. Thirty-eight States use the term "National Guard," some placing it before and others after the name of the State. The term "State Guard" is used by Arkansas, Kentucky, and North Carolina. The terms used by other States are: Louisiana, "State National Guard"; Georgia, "Volunteers"; Virginia, "Volunteers"; Florida, "State Troops"; South Carolina, "Volunteer Troops," and Texas, "Volunteer Guard."

The total authorized strength is 184,848, which is 71,084 more than the organized strength. Oklahoma has the smallest force, (500,) and New York the largest, (15,000.) In Idaho, Louisiana, Nevada, and Tennessee the force is not limited. Therefore in footing up the above total the authorized strength of these States has been considered the same as the organized strength.

The organized strength is 113,760. It is least in New Mexico, (361,) and greatest in New York, (13,000,) the average being nearly 2,522. Alaska and Indian Territory have no militia. The actual strength is made up as follows:

Infantry	100,179
Artillery	6,055
Cavalry	1,976
Special troops	2,270
Generals and staff officers	878
Non-commissioned staff officers	400

Thirty-one States held encampments, with a percentage of attendance varying from 98 per cent. in Pennsylvania to 12 per cent. in Idaho.

Returns show a total of 10,378,118 men in the United States liable to military duty. This must be considered as only approximate, as the numbers in many of the States are only estimated.

General Officers in States.

There are 55 general officers of the line, 8 Major Generals, and 47 Brigadier Generals. California and Pennsylvania have 1 Major General and 3 Brigadier Generals; Arkansas, New Jersey, and Texas have 1 Major General and 2 Brigadier Generals; Louisiana 1 Major General and 1 Brigadier General; Kansas and Mississippi, 1 Major General. The following States have Brigadier Generals: New York and South Carolina, 4; Illinois, 3; Iowa and Massachusetts, 2; Alabama, Colorado, Connecticut, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Oregon, Rhode Island, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia have 1. The remaining States have no general officers.

Company officers are elected in all States except Washington. In Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, and Ohio the Adjutant General has the rank of Major General; in California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, North Carolina, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming, Arizona, Oregon, and New Mexico he is a Colonel; in the District of Columbia, a Lieutenant Colonel. In Arkansas the private secretary of the Governor is ex-officio Adjutant General. The reports from the remaining States do not give the rank of the Adjutant General.

There are now forty-five army officers regularly assigned for duty at State headquarters. One of these officers also performs college duty, and one renders service to the militia of the State wherein he is stationed, besides performing his camp duties. In addition to the above there have been thirty-four officers detailed on temporary duty at State encampments during the year at the request of the Governors.

How the Troops Are Armed.

All of the States except Delaware, Idaho, Illinois, Louisiana, and New York are completely armed with the Springfield rifle, calibre .44. In Delaware there are a very few Springfield rifles, calibre .50, which are to be exchanged for the calibre .44. In Idaho one company is armed with the Springfield rifle, calibre .50, and three with the Springfield carbine, calibre .45. In Illinois there are still some Springfield rifles, calibre .50, most of the force being armed with the calibre .45. In Louisiana there are some Springfield rifles, calibre .50, and a few Sharpes rifles, calibre .45. In New York the Remington rifles are now being exchanged for the Springfield rifles, calibre .45.

The cavalry of all the States is armed with the Springfield carbine, calibre .45, except Illinois, Louisiana, Oregon, South Carolina, and New Mexico. The Illinois cavalry is reported "same as in regular service." In Louisiana, in addition to the Springfield carbines, there are a few Sharpes carbines, calibre .45. In Oregon the entire force is armed with Spencer carbines, calibre .50. In South Carolina a few troops are armed with the Remington carbine. In New Mexico one troop is armed with the Sharpes carbine, calibre .50. The greater part of the cavalry is also armed with the sabre and revolver in addition to the carbine.

Thirty-one out of the thirty-nine States having artillery organizations have one or more Gatling guns. Many of the States have the 3.2-inch breech-loading rifles, but a large proportion of the artillery armament is old and out of date.

VOLUNTEER RESERVE GROWING.

Increase of Headquarters Force Has Been Made Necessary.

The National Volunteer Reserve yesterday received applications for membership from more than 100 persons in twenty different States. The mass of correspondence is accumulating to such an extent that an extra force of stenographers and typewriters was called in yesterday morning to assist Secretary Kelly. As early as 7 o'clock a crowd of young men was at the headquarters, some seeking information and others clamoring for enlistment blanks.

An acceptance on the Military Committee was received from Brig. Gen. D. H. Rucker, United States Army. The first minister of the Gospel to signify his willingness to join the volunteer movement is the Rev. Edgar A. Hamilton, pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Deckertown, N. J. He was Brevet Colonel in the First New Jersey Military Rifles.

Rear Admiral Ramsay, United States Navy, (retired,) and Rear Admiral George Balch, United States Navy, (retired,) accepted appointments on the Military and Naval Committee.

The Acting Commander in Chief, Gen. Schofield, arrived at the headquarters yesterday afternoon and had a consultation with Gen. Alexander McCook and Col. Washington, President of the Reserves. There was some talk in the conference about a possible friction between the Reserves and the National Guard. Gen. Schofield said that he thought there was no reason for fear in that direction.

COAST TOWNS WANT DEFENSES.

War Department Thinks Their Danger from Attack Is Small.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Many applications are being received at the Engineers' office of the War Department from small towns along the coast for the erection of some means of defense to withstand the assaults of foreign ships in the event of war.

The office is, however, powerless to comply with these requests, as there are no funds available for the purpose. The allotments so far received are being expended mainly on a number of fortifications already under way, as a result of the recommendations of the Endicott board, made many years ago.

In this connection the officials of the Engineer Corps call attention to the fact that for twenty-five years urgent appeals have been made to Congress for money to construct defensive works, but in many instances these requests have been ignored.

They believe that all the money available should be expended on the larger cities, as the probability of attacks on the smaller towns, where the commercial interests are not great, is reasonably small.

MILITIA REORGANIZATION BILL.

Senator Hawley's Measure Making Changes to be Reported Favorably.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The Senate Committee on Military Affairs to-day authorized a favorable report on Senator Hawley's bill for the reorganization of the militia force of the United States. The bill is practically a codification of the laws relating to the militia, and while it does not make any material changes it makes a great many in matters of detail.

It provides for an organized and a reserve militia, the latter to consist of all male citizens between eighteen and forty-five years of age who are not included in the organized corps or engaged in certain exempted callings.

Reported Sale of a Torpedo Station.

NEWPORT, March 31.—It is reported here to-night that the Government has purchased from the American Ordnance Company their torpedo-testing station at Tiverton, to test Whitehead torpedoes instead of using the one at the torpedo station, where the bottom of the course is muddy and where chances for their loss are very great. In Tiverton the bottom of the Seaconnett River is sandy and torpedoes drift and can easily be recovered.

The Spring Overcoats we make to order at **$18** are double value. Sample garments for inspection.
ARNHEIM,
BROADWAY AND NINTH ST.

SPRING FEVER.

There is a Spring fever as well as the peculiar affection of which we are all the victims. It is another kind of fever ordinary people more often meet with. It is not the stirring of the blood which leads to adventure, but the overheating of the blood which leads to discomfort and bad language. The furnace and the steam radiator in house and hotel and cars are a prolific cause of the fret and fever of life in the transition months of springtime. Windows and doors are in vain thrown open for relief when the sudden coming of a warm day finds an amount of artificial heat provided that is enough for Winter. But with the gas grate or radiator once installed nothing of the kind can occur. The heat comes and goes as required by a mere movement of the thumb and finger and the striking of a match. Always a convenience and a comfort, the system of heating by gas is pre-eminently a triumph in the days when the thermometer may be 20 in the morning and 70 at night, or vice versa.

WHERE OUR WARSHIPS ARE.

The Positions of the Vessels of the Navy According to the Latest Reports.

GROUPED IN SQUADRONS

Strong Fleets Arranged to Protect the Coasts and to Repel an Attack from the Spaniards.

The present positions of the vessels of the United States Navy are of great interest just now to the public. The vessels have been collected by the Navy Department at various points around the coast, and are in readiness to attack the Spanish fleet and to defend the cities on the coast.

The largest squadron is at Key West in Command of Rear Admiral W. T. Sampson, and the Flying Squadron is at Hampton Roads ready to put to sea.

There is a good sized squadron in Asiatic waters, and another one on the Pacific Coast. The positions of all the vessels, according to the latest advices are as follows:

NORTH ATLANTIC SQUADRON,
Rear Admiral W. T. Sampson, Commanding.

KEY WEST—Indiana, battleship, Capt. H. C. Taylor; Iowa, battleship, Capt. R. D. Evans; New York, armored cruiser, Capt. F. E. Chadwick; Marblehead, cruiser, Commander B. H. McCalla; Detroit, cruiser, Commander J. H. Dayton; Nashville, gunboat, Commander Washburn Maynard; Cincinnati, protected cruiser, Capt. F. M. Barry; Dupont, torpedo boat, Lieut. S. S. Wood; Cushing, torpedo boat, Lieut. Albert Gleaves; Ericsson, torpedo boat, Lieut. N. Usher; Foote, torpedo boat, Lieut. W. L. Rodgers; Winslow, torpedo boat, Lieut. J. R. Bernadou; Porter, torpedo boat, Lieut. J. C. Fremont.

The Terror, monitor, Capt. Nicoll Ludlow, is expected at Key West to-day. The Helena, gunboat, Commander T. P. Swinburne, is expected there from Bermuda. The Annapolis, gunboat, Commander J. J. Hunker, is expected there to-day.

JACKSONVILLE—Wilmington, gunboat, Commander C. H. Todd.

PORT ROYAL, S. C.—Amphitrite, monitor; Capt. C. J. Barclay.

FLYING SQUADRON.
Commodore W. S. Schley, commanding.

HAMPTON ROADS—Brooklyn, armored cruiser, Capt. F. A. Cook; Columbia, protected cruiser, Capt. F. J. Jewell; Massachusetts, battleship, Capt. F. J. Higginson. The Minneapolis, protected cruiser, Capt. J. H. Sands, is expected there to-day.

NORFOLK, VA.—Montgomery, cruiser, Commander G. A. Converse, is expected to arrive to-day for repairs.

LEAGUE ISLAND.—Katahdin, harbor defense ram, Commander G. F. F. Wilde; Miantonomoh, monitor, Capt. M. M. Johnson. The monitors Jason, Canonicus, Mahopac, Manhattan, Wyandotte, Comanche, Catskill, Jason, Lehigh, Montauk, Nahant, and Passaic are at Philadelphia being refitted, and in a few days will be distributed along the coast.

NEWPORT NEWS.—Puritan, monitor, Capt. P. F. Harrington.

WASHINGTON.—Vesuvius, dynamite-gun cruiser, Lieut. Commander John E. Pillsbury.

CAMDEN, N. J.—Princeton, gunboat, Commander West, is almost ready to go into commission.

BROOKLYN NAVY YARD.—Texas, battleship, Capt. J. W. Philip; Dolphin, dispatch boat, Commander H. W. Lyon; Mayflower, dispatch boat, Commander M. R. S. Mackenzie. Auxiliary fleet—Hornet, Lieut. Helm; Eagle, Lieut. Southerland; Hawk, Lieut. Hood; Wasp, Lieut. Ward; Traffic, Lieut. Wainsen; Roger Williams, Lieut. Brainard; Osceola, Lieut. Purcell; Sioux, Ensign Gherardi; Algonquin, Ensign Crosby.

NEWPORT, R. I.—Gwin, torpedo boat, Lieut. W. R. Shoemaker; Talbot, torpedo boat, Lieut. W. S. Williams.

BOSTON.—Machias, gunboat, Commander J. F. Merry.

The Bancroft, cruiser, Commander J. V. B. Bleecker, is at Bermuda, bound for Norfolk, Va.

The San Francisco, protected cruiser, Capt. R. P. Leary, and New Orleans, cruiser, are on their way across the Atlantic from England. The Albany, cruiser, is at Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, being got ready for the trip across the ocean.

PACIFIC SQUADRON.
Rear Admiral J. N. Miller, commanding.

SAN FRANCISCO—Monterey, monitor, Capt. C. E. Clark; Monadnock, monitor, Capt. W. H. Whiting.

SAN JUAN DEL SUR—Alert, monitor, commander, E. H. C. Lentze.

HONOLULU—Bennington, gunboat, commander H. E. Nichols.

The gunboat Wheeling, Lieut. Commander Sebree, has sailed from Port Angelus, Cal., for Seattle.

CALLAO, Peru.—Marietta, gunboat, Capt. F. M. Symonds, bound for Key West; Oregon, battleship, Capt. C. E. Clark, is expected daily, bound for Key West.

ASIATIC SQUADRON.
Rear Admiral George Dewey, commanding.

HONGKONG—Olympia, cruiser, Capt. C. V. Cridley; Boston, cruiser, Capt. Frank Wildes; Petrel, gunboat, commander E. P. Wood; Kalsigh, cruiser, Capt. J. B. Coghlan; Concord, gunboat, Commander Asa Walker.

WOOSUNG—Monocacy, monitor, Capt. O. W. Farenholt.

The Baltimore, cruiser, Capt. N. M. Dyer, is expected at Yokohama.

BIG BOOM IN THE SHIP MARKET.

Government Will Be Forced to Look to England for Small Craft.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The American owners of ships are holding them at prices that seem to the Navy Department exorbitant, and it is not likely that any more vessels will be bought on this side unless they can be had on more reasonable terms. One ship owner, who offered to sell a vessel to the department at the beginning of the crisis, when several yachts and tugs were being negotiated for, wrote to the department to-day repeating his offer, but raising his price 40 per cent. An official remarked that the greater the crisis the higher this man's price has gone, his patriotism, it seems, being equal to the emergency. He was told that the ship would not be bought on any such terms.

The department has in view several good vessels, but it has absolutely refused to give panic prices for them. The approach of war has bulled the ship market to an alarming extent, and has resulted in forcing the department to look to Europe for vessels that could otherwise be bought in the country. It is very probable that an order will go to England to-day for procuring several good tugs, yachts, &c.

The naval officials are attaching great importance to this auxiliary fleet, although it is not yet entirely clear what use they will put it to in case of war. Most of the ships procured are practically worthless as fighters against war vessels, and they are not speedy enough for scout or dispatch boats, as they could not keep out of the way of cruisers or torpedo boats of the enemy. They would not be of much use, on the other hand, for the secondary line of defense inside harbors, because if any war vessel should run the gantlet of the big ships these little unprotected craft would hardly stop its course inside. It is supposed that the navy has some clearly-defined service in which to place these ships, or it would not be purchasing so many of them, but it is a little mysterious to naval officials.

$500,000 FOR THE OLD MONITORS.

Much Reliance Placed in the Heavy 15-Inch Smooth Bore Guns.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The Navy Department has at last determined to put the old monitors at League Island in fighting trim. It authorized to-day the expenditure by the Bureaus of Construction and Repair and of Steam Engineering of $500,000 for this purpose. This sum is to be spent at once in repairing the hulls of the monitors, sheathing their decks to prevent leaking, and in putting in serviceable boilers to fit them for sea-going.

Chief Constructor Hichborn and Engineer in Chief Melville have estimated that the three monitors still remaining at League Island, the Mahopac, the Canonicus, and the

Soak your bicycle
lamps and chains in Pearline and hot water. Lamps will give more light; chains run easier. Dirt's to blame when they bother you—and Pearline is death on dirt.
A little box or bottle of Pearline ought to be in every tool-bag. Takes little or no room; is the best thing in the world for mud or grease stains.
Millions NOW use Pearline

A BILL TO BUY ST. THOMAS.

Secretary Lodge Reports a Measure to the Senate for an Appropriation of $5,000,000.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Senator Lodge has reported from the Committee on Foreign Relations a bill directing the President of the United States to purchase the Danish West India Islands of St. Croix, St. Thomas, and St. John, or any one of them, for a naval and coaling station. The purchase is to be made upon such terms as he may in his discretion deem advisable. Five million dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is appropriated for the purchase.

Senator Lodge submitted a long report upon the proposed purchase. The location of the islands is described and their history given. A review is made of the former attempts at purchase, beginning in 1863, when the negotiation was begun by Mr. Seward. After twenty-four years negotiations were reopened by Secretary Foster and continued under his successors.

In the argument in favor of the purchase the report says that as long as the islands are in the market there is danger that they will be acquired by some foreign Government. This would be an infraction of the Monroe doctrine and involve the United States in serious difficulty with the European power which sought possession of the islands. The United States has always been anxious to acquire a naval station in the West Indies. Such a station is important in time of peace and essential to our safety in time of war. The islands could be easily governed as a Territory. They occupy a strategic position, and are of incalculable value to the United States, not only as a part of the National defense, but as removing by their possession a very probable cause of foreign complications.

Correspondence since Secretary Foster began negotiations in November, 1892, is submitted with the report. Minister Carr at that time said proposals for the purchase would be received favorably by the Danish Government and upon terms agreed upon by the treaty of 1867. Mr. Foster said in reply that as the Administration of President Harrison was drawing to a close he did not wish to enter into negotiations.

The next correspondence is dated Jan. 14, 1896, when Minister Risley addressed a letter to Secretary Olney upon the subject, and another upon Jan. 18, 1896, in which he stated that the matter was again under discussion. The position of the Danish Government was that it would not seek to reopen the negotiations because of the disastrous failure in 1868, but would receive proposals made by the United States. It also appears that the matter was discussed by Secretary Olney and the Danish Minister, though no record of what took place was made. The negotiations in 1867 resulted in a treaty, which was never ratified by the Senate. The purchase price, according to a quoted telegram from Secretary Seward, was $7,500,000 for St. John and St. Thomas. The Danish Government insisted upon a ratification of the sale by vote of the people of the islands, and this was finally conceded by this Government. Both islands almost unanimously voted in favor of the cession. The report states that the treaty was lost in the fierce storm of political hatred raging in this country in 1868.

NAVAL MILITIA TO BE READY.

State Officers Will Be Asked to Drill the Organizations.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The Navy Department to-day determined to have the naval militia of the several States prepared for immediate service. This conclusion was the outcome of a consultation of members of the naval strategic board during the afternoon.

Letters will be sent to the Governors and to the Adjutant Generals of all States where there are naval militia organizations, asking them to set in motion the machinery for drilling and equipping the State organizations promptly; they may be ready within a very few hours' notice of a call to arms. Assistant Secretary Roosevelt has charge of all matters pertaining to the naval militia, and he feels that the response to this request will be hearty and prompt.

The officials express the hope that there will be a unanimous sentiment on the part of employers to give such of their men as are members of the militia free opportunity to join their commands.

FORTY TARS SENT TO BROOKLYN.

The Alliance and Essex to Furnish Apprentices for the Fleet.

NEWPORT, R. I., March 31.—In response to orders from the Navy Department, Commodore Kautz of the Newport Naval Station sent a detachment of forty men from the training ship Alliance to the Brooklyn Navy Yard to-night for duty on ships of the North Atlantic squadron.

This order practically takes all the men from the Alliance save a skeleton working force. The vacancies were filled with fifty-four naval apprentices from the training set. It is now semi-officially reported that the Alliance will cruise in Narragansett Bay and supply apprentices to the various warships as demands may arise. The Essex, due here in three weeks, will follow the same routine.

WAR VESSELS AND THE LAKES.

Our Right to Build Torpedo Boats There Raised in Chicago.

CHICAGO, March 31.—The suggestion that the treaty of 1818 between the United States and Canada be modified so that the building of warboats should be permitted on the great lakes aroused talk in Chicago to-day. In case such a change were made it is not unlikely that a host of torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers could be constructed here.

President W. L. Brown of the Chicago Shipbuilding Company says he does not think the treaty even now would prevent the building of torpedo boats or torpedo boat destroyers on the lakes, so long as they were not armed here.

Sewall After Naval Contracts.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Among a great many ship builders that called at the Bureau of Construction to-day to look after contracts for new ships was Arthur Sewall, candidate for the Vice Presidency in 1896. Mr. Sewall had a long conference with Commodore Hichborn, and called also on the Secretary of the Navy. He wishes to have the opportunity of constructing some of the new ships contemplated in the naval programme.

Sir Julian Congratulates Capt. Sigsbee

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Ambassador, called on Assistant Secretary Roosevelt at the Navy Department this afternoon and left his card for Capt. C. D. Sigsbee, congratulating that officer upon his escape, and bearing throughout his recent thrilling experiences in the Harbor of Havana.

The Oregon Expected at Callao.

LIMA, (via Galveston, Texas,) March 31.—The Chilean Government, it is asserted on good authority, will not sell any warships to the United States.

The Oregon is expected at Callao on Saturday.

The gunboat Marietta, having finished coaling and having contracted for coal for the battleship Oregon, sailed for Valparaiso this evening.

AUXILIARY BOARD'S WORK.

Howard Gould's Niagara to be Inspected at Wilmington—Almost Through with Small Vessels.

Capt. Rodgers and Lieut. Commander Kelley were the only members of the Naval Board on Auxiliary Cruisers in town yesterday. The other members are in Boston and Philadelphia engaged in the work of inspecting vessels suitable for distiller ships and colliers. The Government requires at least two good colliers and perhaps four. Besides these, two suitable vessels to be used as repair ships and two vessels to be fitted as distiller ships are sought. Some difficulty is experienced in finding suitable vessels for these purposes at a fair price.

At Wilmington, Del., whither certain members of the board will go to-day, Howard Gould's new steam yacht Niagara will probably be examined. The yacht's hull is completed and the engines and boilers have been installed. Mr. Gould, it is understood, has positively refused to sell her, but has volunteered, in case of hostilities, to lend her to the Government with the stipulation that she be returned to him in good condition.

The yacht Augusta is another vessel that is being considered by the board with the idea of adding her to the fleet of fast steam yachts already acquired.

Capt. Rodgers said yesterday that the report of Lieut. Sargent's inspection of the Holland submarine torpedo boat on last Sunday had been sent to Washington, and that he did not know whether or not the board would be asked to make a further test.

A member of the board said yesterday that the Government was in need of just two more ocean-going steel tugs. When these have been acquired there will only be a market for a few more fast steam yachts, and then the entire attention of the board would be turned upon large vessels.

WORK AT THE NAVY YARD.

Men Sent to League Island—The Hawk Comes Out of Dry Dock.

An order was received at the navy yard here yesterday for sixty men to go to League Island, presumably for duty on the monitors being prepared for sea, and a detail of the number requested was promptly taken from the receiving ship Vermont.

The steam yacht Hermione, rechristened the Hawk, was floated out of Dry Dock No. 2, and the tugs Edward Luckenbach and Walter Luckenbach took her place.

The big Timber Dry Dock No. 3 is ready for the final test, which will probably be made to-morrow, so that the work of removing the coffer dam may be begun Monday. This work is expected to take thirty days, but may be hurried through in less time.

The work of transferring stores and ammunition to Southern ports was vigorously continued yesterday, the tugs Nina and Markeeta being kept busy carrying ammunition and stores to Fort Lafayette, whence they are transferred South.

Capt. Philip of the Texas, and Lieut. Ward of Admiral Bunce's staff, yesterday returned the visit of Lieut. Hohnel of the Austrian schoolship Donau.

AT WORK ON THE ARMERIA.

The Fleet Lighthouse Tender Being Fitted for Service.

The lighthouse tender Armeria, now lying at the Lighthouse Department docks at Tompkinsville, is being rapidly fitted out for service as a part of the mosquito fleet. All this week men have been hard at work upon her. Just what is being done will not be stated.

The Armeria is the finest of the Lighthouse Department's fleet. She is a fast steel vessel and new. She has just been thoroughly overhauled and refitted. This was made necessary by her running upon a reef on the New England Coast last Summer while on a trip along the coast. Her bottom was so badly damaged it was feared she would be a total loss, but she was saved and practically rebuilt.

She has half steam up constantly. A large force of men are almost constantly at work during the day, and the work is continued into the night. At Tompkinsville it is said the men on board the tender expect to take her to the navy yard within a few days for her guns.

NAVAL MILITIA INSPECTED.

First Battalion Makes a Fine Showing on the New Hampshire.

The regular annual inspection of the First Battalion of the New York State Naval Militia was held on board the training ship New Hampshire last night. Inspector Gen. Hoffman, assisted by Col. Green of the Governors Island staff, made the inspection.

Many relatives and friends of the naval men filled the vessel to overflowing. While Inspector Gen. Hoffman would make no statement as a result of the inspection further than to say he was pretty well satisfied, it is known that a first-class showing was made. At the conclusion of the inspection sharpshooters' medals and general efficiency medals were presented.

Sheet Anchor

conditions of muscular nervous debility and fever, good in shock and fainting, a valuable help to dyspeptics.

This eulogy, one of many, has been pronounced upon that sterling stimulant,

Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey.

A sheet anchor holds a ship from drifting on the rocks. So does this medicinal whiskey retard consumption of tissue, and thus prevents the body from drifting into a condition of disease. Is not this worth remembering at a time when a change of temperature may be fraught with danger to blood and nerves?

No wide-awake druggist or grocer thinks of being out of Duffy's pure malt.

CASTORIA.
The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

...Senator Found Who Believes That Spain Will Surrender Cuba.

...ER IN BOTH HOUSES

...Still Believes Conflict ...essary War Desirable—...arly 200 Republicans ...ervention He Must ...Way at Last.

...ON, March 31.—President Mc... have appreciated two days ... of the war feeling that is ... houses of the Congress. ...understands it fully now, ...ess understands and confides ...fully, since he supplied mem... more definite idea of his inten... the mistake be made by the ... of supposing that the feel... permanently allayed, or that ...ined, it would be un... be so demonstrated ...tiations with Spain.

... the two houses, but ... way. The attendance of ...tors continues to be enormous. The ...leries would not hold them to-day. They ...ained the seats, and then there were long ...rows of ladies and gentlemen standing in the corridors at the sides of the doors for hours waiting for some one to come out and give the waiting throng a chance. To ...ket tickets for the reserved galleries is no ...ssurance that the holder will get in. Those ...tickets are given out by every Senator or ...Representatives to all his friends and ac...quaintances who ask for them. They are ...used only when there is room for the vis...

Impatience Among Senators.

While the Senate business was going on in the Chamber many Senators strolled to the committee rooms or into the restau... Wherever found they talked of the chances of peace or war. Despite assurance from the White House that positive de... mands had been made upon Spain and that ... answer would be due to-night or to-... morrow, the impatience was manifested ... everywhere. Senator Chandler, more reck... less than some of his Republican associates, ...was unable to restrain his belligerent feel... ings. His interruptions of Senator Allen ...from the latter was making a war speech, ...excited the doubts of many other Senators, ...and was in the nature of a warning that the ...country was not likely to be satisfied now ...with halting or feeble dealing with the ...Spanish Government.

Senator Hawley, as anxious for news as ...he was for his luncheon, stopped at the lat... ter to ask about the news from Woodford. ...He did not expect consent from Spain to ...the abandonment of Cuba, and evidently ...looked for a fight as the alternative. Sen... ator Platt of New York, who joined him ...and partook calmly of a frugal luncheon, ...discussed the situation without excitement, ...and when asked if the prospect indicated ...to him, answered very mildly, "I shall ...not go to war. I'm too old for that busi... ness." Not one Senator could be found who ...was confident that Spain would yield to the ...demands of the United States. And there ...were none who hoped that anything less ...than the reported demands of the President ...would be entertained or approved by the ...Congress.

War Speeches in the House.

In the House, although the Naval bill was under discussion, the probable war en... grossed attention. The war speeches inter... ested by several members proved more in... teresting than the speeches more pertinent ...to the bill, and they pleased the gallery im... mensely. The Speaker, who yesterday ...stood by the Administration to curb the im... patience of the President's party, does not ...think war is either necessary or desirable. ...He approves of the manner in which ne... gotiations have been conducted and the cri... sis brought on, he does not make his ap... proval known. The talk about "honor" ...and "dignity" provokes him to smile and ...to ask questions that suggest more than ...express criticism. But he ... that ...body over which he pres... break away from him ... arms ...that the efforts of the Pres... settlement with Spain hav... d to ...aught.

With nearly 200 members ... pub... ...can side ready to vote for ... n, as ...orted to-day by Mr. Joy ... ri, it ...s evident that Speaker Re... hope ...s said down the war feeling ... time ...to give it expression ... nem... ...like Mr. Wayne Parker ... rsey, ...eral Republican and McK... will ...ares that he does not beli... ation ...isfy our proper demands, ... in... ...dependence for the Cubans ... ation ...r the loss of the Maine, ... war ...must come, it is plain that ... htful ...and prudent men are hard t...

Mr. Parker on the ...

"The Maine incident has ... much ...aggravated," said Mr. Parke... has ...stranded the Nation deeply. ... re... ...sponsible for that loss, and ... held ...accountability. I do n... about ...ney indemnity. If Spain ... Cuba ...I believe that the people ... ...ard that as in the n... ...anity to us. All circum... ainly ...Spain responsible, eve... as... ...ferred in her defense that ... tion ...of the vessel was not an offi...

Both the Committees on ... airs ...were in session to-day, and bo... nder ...restraint. The members of these commit... ees did not all agree as to their understand... ...g of the details of the President's de... ...ds upon Spain. All of the Republicans ...ared to be patient until Monday, although ...me of them had made inquiries that in... ...ated a desire to be allowed to proceed ...Sunday, if the information in the hands ...the President at that time suggested ...e advantage of action at the earliest ...oment.

The Democrats of the House were not all ...oud of the blunder committed yesterday ...Mr. Bailey. They were disposed to hold ...m not quite free from censure. He had ...en to the White House, and had talked ...th the President before offering his reso... ...tion of independence for Cuba. He was ...ll informed about the hopes of the ...esident, and his desire that there should ...e nothing done to interfere with a favor... ...e conclusion of pending negotiations as ...ere most of the Republican members. He ...new that the Republicans had been warned ...ainst joining him in his attempt to force ...tion in advance of the reply of Spain. The ...sult was that while he had been solidly ...pported by the Democrats on the vote, ...lf of them were commenting with smiles ...f contempt upon his lack of prudence as a ...aucus leader.

EXCITEMENT IN THE HOUSE.

Mr. Grosvenor Says the President Will Secure Cuba's Freedom, and It Will Not Be Purchased.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—For three hours to-day the packed galleries and excit... ...d members of the House listened to a pas... ...ate outburst of oratory on the Cuban ...estion, during which the intensity of feel... ...g was alternately manifested by cheers, ...ughs and hisses. Time and again the ex... ...ted throngs in the galleries were admon... ...hed to be silent, and once at least it ...emed as if a motion would be made to ...ear them.

The three speeches which stirred the as... ...mblage to its depths were made by Mr. ...Grosvenor of Ohio, who, it was assumed, ...poke for the Administration, and who ...ersonally pledged it to the cause of free ...ba; Mr. Bailey of Texas, the Democratic ...ader, who announced the Democratic po... ...tion as for free Cuba, without war if it ...uld be avoided, but with war if neces... ...ry; and Mr. Johnson of Indiana, who ...ored for peace, declaring that it was our ...ty to go to the extreme in magnanimity ...d the horrors of war.

Immediately after the reading of the jour... ...l the House went into committee and ...ok up with the consideration of the Na... ...l fortification bill.

Mr. Grosvenor (Rep., Ohio,) submitted some ...marks in favor of the amendment offered ...y him yesterday appropriating $50,0... ...r coast defenses, which, he said, he ...ould not have offered if he had not been ...ssured that the President desired it. He ...ad not consulted the President, but he ...ad been informed that the President ...ished the money for the purpose of ...ecuring the freedom of Cuba, and that ...e would not purchase it. He hoped that ...e rich and powerful nations of the ...orld of this and other nations will ...ome to the struggling patriots of Cuba to buy ...r freedom that they have fairly won with ...eir courage and by their sword. [Ap... ...ause on the Democratic side.] I owe it ...y candid duty to say that the Republican Party no kindly offices ... but I ...ill venture to warn it that if its leaders ...ave, and the Republican Party ... this ...easure, to compel any people ... God's sun to buy that liberty which God ...as given to them, that party will never ...urvive long enough to escape the odium ...hich will be fastened upon it by the out... ...aged sentiment of the American people. [Applause on the Democratic side.]

Mr. Johnson—Liberty is not a purchas... ...able commodity. [Renewed applause.] There ...was a time in this republic when no man ...in high station would have suggested that ...one nation would sell it or that another ...should be compelled to buy it. [Applause on the Democratic side.] It was a birthright of men, and it is their duty to assert it, though war be necessary to its assertion. [Prolonged applause on the Democratic side.]

"I am myself, Mr. Chairman, as averse to war as any gentleman. On this side twice during the present session we have walked up to the altar and made a willing sacrifice of our political advancement. We know, and you know, that a war will be to the advantage of the party in power; and you, knowing it, will still know it no better than we do. Yet with a knowledge that we are pursuing a policy to the advantage of our political opponents and to the injury of our... selves you must admit that we did all you asked us to do.

Democratic Unselfishness.

"In all the history of this Republic no party has ever acted more patriotically or unselfishly than the Democratic Party has during this crisis. [Applause on the Demo... cratic side.] There was a time when this threatened war could have been averted. Six months ago, if you had done as we urged you to do, if you had recognized the rights of these struggling patriots to fight for independence war would have been averted and the freedom of Cuba would to... day be an established fact in the history of the world. [Applause on the Democratic side.]

A member: "And the battleship Maine, with all the accompanying lives of American seamen, would not have been sacrificed."

Mr. Bailey—"And that unfortunate disaster, which has horrified humanity and humili... ated our American citizenship, would never have occurred. [Applause.] The great bat... tleship, the Maine—the ship which bore the name of a sovereign State of the United ... would have been flying on the high seas ... flying the flag of this Republic; and the more ... than 250 brave seamen, many of whom now ... sleep many fathoms deep beneath Cuban ... waters, would have been wearing the ... uniform of the nation which they honored ... with their courage and sought to defend ... with their lives. [Prolonged applause.]

The Situation Intensified.

"You refused to act, and the progress of ... events has simply intensified the situation. ... The longer you postpone doing right, the ... longer you postpone action, the more cer... tain it is that war and war alone will ex... tricate you. In trying to allow Spain to ... complete her reconquest of Cuba you have ... made it absolutely necessary that you shall ... intervene in the cause of freedom.

"There may be time still to avert a war. ... Within the last forty-eight hours a repre... sentative of the Cuban Republic has said ... to me that they did not desire us to en... gage in war with Spain. That all they ask ... is that we recognize their independence, to ... give them the credit and standing to which ... they are entitled among the nations of the ... earth, and with their own strong arms and ... with their own brave hearts they will ... achieve their independence. [Applause on ... the Democratic side.] They prefer that ... course, and I sympathize with the spirit ... which prompts them to prefer it.

"Any people worthy to be free desire to ... achieve their own freedom, and if the Cuban ... people sought their freedom through Amer... ican arms I should doubt their ability to ... maintain it when it was given to them. ... They hope to have a national history. They ... hope to have national heroes. They hope ... to teach their children, who, in turn, will ... teach their children and their children's ... children, how Cuban patriots wrought out ... the problem of Cuban freedom. [Applause ... on the Democratic side.] Where is there ... the man who does not sympathize with that ... lofty sentiment?

Cubans Ask Only Recognition.

"A representative of the Cuban republic ... said to me with great frankness and feeling: ... 'We do not seek to involve the United ... States in war with Spain. It is unnecessary. ... Give us a recognition of our independence, ... so that we can obtain arms and heavy ar... tillery, and in thirty days we will put an ... army of 100,000 Cuban patriots in the field, ... and in thirty days more the flag of Spain ... will be trailing in the dust of Cuba.' [Ap... plause on the Democratic side.] That is ... their spirit. 'Why do we not meet them in ... it?

"War? You invite it with all its horrors. ... I know the horrors as well as the gentleman ... from Indiana, [Mr. Johnson.] I witnessed ... its desolation. My father and my kinsmen ... came back from the battlefields rendered ... historic by the courage of those who wore ... the blue as well as those who wore the ... gray. When they turned from Appomattox, ... where they had left everything except their ... honor, they came back, and on every hand ... they witnessed the horrors and desolations ... of war. Where they had left a happy home ... they found a mass of charred and blackened ... ruins.

"We do not want war. We have twice ... offered you the opportunity to avoid it. ... But, Mr. Chairman, we might as well be ... frank. If it takes a war to free the island ... of Cuba, my voice, and the voice of those ... with whom I have the honor to sit, is 'Cuba ... free' without a war if possible. 'Cuba ... free' with a war if necessary." [Prolonged ... applause on the Democratic side.]

No Idea of Buying Cuba's Liberty.

Mr. Grosvenor, (Rep., Ohio,) whose utter... ances are significant owing to his close ... friendship with the Administration, ans... wered Mr. Bailey. He said he did not intend ... to reply to the argument of the gentleman ... from Texas, but he felt a very strong de... gree of sympathy for him.

"When," said he, "a man has been for ... nearly a year trying to play a game of ... politics on the question of war and has ... failed, and has finally made an exhibition—a ... futile effort—in that direction, unparalleled ... in the history of this body, it becomes pa... thetic when he talks about a war and a war ... that will never happen. I rose to point out ... one or two absurd statements constantly ... repeated in the newspapers, and which ... found an echo in the voice of the gentleman ... from Texas.

"He warns this side that if the Presi... dent attempts to force the Cubans to buy ... their freedom hell will break loose in about ... fifteen seconds on the Democratic side. ... [Laughter on the Republican side.] Nobody ... proposes to force Cuba to buy their inde... pendence. It is like a tale told by the idiots, ... full of sound and fury and full of nothing. ... There is no such proposition by, to, or from ... the Administration, and the whole idle prat... tle of this character in the newspapers ... has been just so much folly and nonsense, ... and yet a statesman, leader of a great ... division upon this floor, rises and solemnly ... warns the Republican side of this House ... that if the President drives Cuba to buy ... her independence, they will go to work to ... prevent it. Nobody has attempted it; it is ... an idle dream of somebody and talk of the ... newspapers.

Negotiations Not Understood.

"Again, what does the gentleman know ... about how far the matters have progressed ... between the United States as the intermedi... ary source of diplomacy and Spain and ... Cuba on the other side? The gentleman ... from Texas did say yesterday that he be... lieved the President of the United States ... was trying to force it upon the Cubans, ... and to-day he said he knew it. Now, I ... rose simply to say that the gentleman is ... wholly mistaken. If he has such informa... tion from an authoritative source he ought ... to make it public. The time has come in ... this country when misunderstanding of ... what is going on is doing more harm than ... the views of the people who do under... stand."

"Will the gentleman state," interposed Mr. Williams, (Dem., Miss.,) "that he be... lieves from what he knows that it is not ... in contemplation by the President in the ... negotiations now going on to treat for a ... money consideration for the freedom of ... Cuba?"

"It is too contemptible to answer. Such a ... thought never entered into the head of any ... man connected with the Administration."

"Isn't there an intimation of that kind ... in the negotiations at Madrid?"

"What have we to do with the negotia... tions at Madrid?" asked Mr. Grosvenor. ... "I say the purchase of Cuba by the Gov... ernment is the suggestion of its approval ... as a story told by an idiot. There ... was anything in it, and this is only [illegible]

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NO MORE CONCENTRATION

Gen. Blanco Directs the People to Return to Their Homes in Four Western Provinces.

HELP TO RESUME FARM WORK

Work on Public Improvements to be Secured for the Country People—Extraordinary War Credit for the Expense.

HAVANA, March 31.—Captain General Blanco has issued an important decree, dated March 30 and published this morning, in which he directs the end of the reconcentration in the four western provinces, Pinar del Rio, Havana, Matanzas, and Santa Clara.

The preamble sets forth that the pacification of said provinces having been considerably advanced by the combined action of arms and the natural effect of the establishment of autonomy, in giving security to the country, also making possible the advancement of the sugar, tobacco, and food crops, it also being near the time when the minor plantings give the means of living to the laboring classes and peasants, also believing the time has come to resume the normal conditions in the towns and villages, to do away with the causes of suffering among the people, to remove as far as possible all the effects of the reconcentration, and further to give complete liberty to all the country people to return to such places as they desire, to do such labor as they may select, this order is issued.

The preamble further says that for the reconcentrados who, being without resources or instruments with which to labor, remain in the towns or centres previously set apart for their use, the Colonial Government will with great urgency propose to the Governor General a plan of relief. In this plan the Mayors and Alcaldes are expected to take part, establishing soup kitchens, &c., and doing all in their power to terminate the existing misery.

Then follow the five articles, carrying out what is set forth in the preamble:

Article 1.—After the publication of this order the reconcentrados and their families will be allowed to return home in the four provinces given above.

Article 2.—Orders all relief committees and civil and military authorities to facilitate the workings of the decree, and also to aid the reconcentrados in selecting and securing new houses.

Article 3.—Directs the Colonial Government, through its Secretaries and minor officers, to prepare to execute all necessary orders, to secure for the country people work on public improvements, and also to give food, by economical kitchens, to all the suffering, attention being called to those on the small country estates.

Article 4.—All the expenses over and above the funds now in the hands of the committees are to be provided for under the head of an extraordinary war credit.

Article 5.—All former orders of reconcentration are abrogated.

BLANCO'S RELIEF MEASURES.

No Attempt to Conceal the Suffering in Cuba in a Report to the Spanish Legation.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The Spanish Legation has received full reports from Captain General Blanco from the Governors of all the provinces of Cuba, and from the Alcaldes and Chiefs of Police of the principal cities, as to the condition of the reconcentrados. It is an elaborate treatment of this subject by the officers directly in charge, and gives the situation fully from their standpoint. It is noteworthy that they do not seek to minimize the dreadful condition of these people, but endeavor to show that they are doing their utmost to alleviate the misery and misfortune which exists.

Gen. Blanco's report is in substance as follows:

"In the midst of the painful impression caused by the situation of the reconcentrados, it is some satisfaction to note the great improvement in their condition as compared with what it was four or five months ago. In response to the keen interest which the home Government has shown in the matter, this Government has endeavored from the very first in every possible way to alleviate so much misery and misfortune. The cities, overfilled with men, women, and children without work, were unable to sustain a population of consumers who produced nothing; the destruction and pillage of so many small hamlets by the insurgents compelled the unfortunate inhabitants to seek refuge in the towns to save their lives, the only thing possible to be saved from this wanton and barbarous destruction, which had reduced them to a state of the most intense wretchedness. In Puerto Principe near all the reconcentrados were of this class. The maladies originated by this crowding together of human beings, and the fatal belief in an inevitable death, combined to take away from many the necessary energy to struggle for life and to discourage private charity, which considered itself impotent without a decided help from official charity. Other and sadder considerations may be made to explain a certain passive resistance among some elements which regarded every reconcentrado as an enemy, more or less disguised. The result of all this was the truly formidable problem presented, all the graver from the fact that it was a necessity of immediate urgency.

Relief Measures Taken by Spain.

"The discretion of this Government was directed to attack the evil at its source. By the decree of Nov. 14 last the return of all the reconcentrados to their homes was permitted, and they were authorized at the same time to enjoy items to defend their property. In this the cities were relieved of a large part of their abnormal population, and a check given to the diseases produced by overcrowding. Committees of help were organized, intervention in them being given to the clergy, doctors, and all the most useful and respectable elements. Official charity a few days after establishment of these juntas provided them with resources, handing over $100,000 the 28d of November and $50,000 the 2d of March. The Governors and Alcaldes were called upon to show their zeal by giving a good example, an appeal to which these authorities responded with interest worthy of all praise. In this way was private charity encouraged and enabled to organize its own protective committees, economic kitchens, and charitable associations which distribute relief personally and contribute powerfully to relieve the suffering.

"As a result of all this public spirit began to rise again, confidence was renewed, and at the same time a disposition to work began to prevail. In Santa Clara, there are actually a large number of these unhappy beings occupied in field labor. In order to avoid the overcrowding which was found to occur when the laborers returned to the town after the day's work, huts were erected for them in the cultivated zone with very excellent results. In Pinar del Rio five villages are being reconstructed and effective means are being taken to increase and encourage agricultural labor. In Santiago de Cuba the cultivated zones are in perfect condition; those of San Luis, Sorgo, and Cauney may be cited as models. In Matanzas ten thousand free railway tickets were given to the reconcentrados who returned to their old homes. Gradually the gravity of the crisis is passing away, but owing to the height it obtained this cannot be accomplished in a brief time.

American Relief Appreciated.

"Apart from any preconceived idea it is only just to admit that the help which comes from the United States is also a powerful means of relief in the actual circumstances. The Governor of this province (Havana) calculates $40,000 as the value of the provisions, clothes, medicines, &c., distributed in this city during the month of February, which have contributed to the relief of the excessive number of reconcentrados here.

"It is sad to note that the population has diminished, but it must be remembered that this is by no means due exclusively to want and misery. The emigration which occurred in some cities was enormous; in Santiago de Cuba alone 12,000 passports have been signed. The official statistics also show that the high rates of mortality are not due in many cases to the absence of provisions. It has been observed that the largest number of deaths occur upon the arrival from the country of new groups of reconcentrados, who, unwilling to take the advice of doctors in their debilitated state, eat the raucho that the thoughtless charity of the soldiers makes them proffer, in many cases with fatal results.

"I will say in conclusion that the situation has improved much, and that the most acute point of the crisis has passed. The problem, however, is not yet solved, nor can this be done immediately, because the majority of the persons dependent on public and private charity at the present moment are children and women whose future has to be assured.

"A state of war invariably leaves deep scars, and much work and time are necessary to repair the damage done in a single day."

Governors of Provinces Report.

Accompanying the report of Gen. Blanco are reports from the Governor of Matanzas Province, Francisco d'Armas; the Governor of Santa Clara Province, Marcus Garcia, and from the Governors of Havana and Pinar del Rio. The Governors give the technical condition of the reconcentrados in the several provinces, the expenditure of funds, establishment of relief kitchens, &c. Gov. d'Armas says the havoc began when the fertile fields of Matanzas were invaded by the insurgents in 1895, desolating the land and leaving the people out of work. He admits that the reconcentrados decree of 1896, instead of diminishing the evils, augmented them. Gov. Garcia of Santa Clara gives the particulars of the relief measures adopted. The Governor of Pinar del Rio gives a list of reconcentrados in the villages of his province to whom rations are issued. He states the number of these reconcentrados to be 15,686, of whom 8,427 are over fourteen years of age. The suffering has not been as intense in this province as in others, as the people have secured work and have been allowed to carry their rifles. The Chief of Police of Matanzas says the situation has improved notably since the reconcentrados are securing work. The worst feature of the situation seems to be that while men are relieved by getting work, the women and children are still a charge on the community. The suffering is greatest in this class, and the efforts toward relief are mainly directed to the women and children.

VITRIOL THROWER IN PATERSON

PATERSON, N. J., March 31.—Mrs. Kate Hill, thirty-six years old, a widow, living on Auburn Street, was frightfully burned about the face with vitriol thrown last night by an unknown man, who escaped after committing the act. Mrs. Hill had been annoyed by the man for a long time, but made no complaint to the police, not wishing to have her name appear in the papers.

Last night the man was waiting for her in front of her home. As soon as she appeared he stepped up to her and quickly threw the vitriol into her face. Mrs. Hill was nearly blinded, and while she stood screaming the man disappeared. A physician quickly summoned, found that Mrs. Hill had been deeply burned by the acid. She suffered awful agony through the night, and will be disfigured for life.

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QUIET DAY IN THE SENATE.

Resolution Asking for Cuban Consular Reports Recommitted After Discussion—Other Matters.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—In the Senate to-day Mr. Frye, (Rep., Me.,) who reported yesterday from the Committee on Foreign Relations a resolution calling upon the President for the Cuban Consular reports, requested that the resolution lie on the table until the committee desired to call it up. He added that the committee was engaged constantly in work, and there were reasons why the resolution should not be considered in the absence of the committee.

Mr. Chandler (Rep., N. H.,) objected to the making of "any such contract as suggested."

Mr. Frye then moved that the resolution be recommitted to the Foreign Relations Committee.

Mr. Allen (Pop., Neb.,) followed this motion with a speech, in the course of which he said: "If I could have my way, I would instantly recall our Minister to Madrid and hand to the Spanish Minister here his passports."

Mr. Allen said he was opposed to the general policy of the President of the United States, but as one of the representatives in the Senate of a great State he was willing to give him his support in a proper solution of the Cuban problem, for he felt that all political considerations at a time like this ought to be laid aside and men of all parties should stand together. He believed that in a few more days we should witness the Cuban flag, "consecrated by hundreds of thousands of lives, waving in triumph over the island."

Mr. Chandler (Rep., N. H.,) soon after the conclusion of Mr. Allen's speech precipitated a lively scene. He thought the action of the Committee on Foreign Relations indicated some doubt and indecision. Yesterday the committee thought a new call for the Consular reports ought to be made; to-day it thought the call ought to be withdrawn.

"The first call," said Mr. Chandler, "was made in a resolution presented by the Senator from Alabama (Mr. Morgan) on Feb. 14. On the following day at 9:40 P. M. an answer to that call for information came from Spain"—a significant reference to the Maine disaster.

Mr. Chandler thought the Senate and the country were not without information. They had been informed of the conditions in Cuba by members of the Senate, who had seen with their own eyes and heard with their own ears all the horrors in Cuba. They had rendered the greatest possible service to the country and to humanity.

"I have the fullest confidence in the Committee on Foreign Relations," said Mr. Chandler. "I have confidence that the President intends to pursue a patriotic and righteous course in the present emergency, and I shall thank God when he reaches a conclusion of some sort or another. Therefore, I am not in rebellion as yet against the powers that be. I await upon the Committee on Foreign Relations, but I do think that, as that committee seemed it advisable yesterday to make a second call for the Consular correspondence, it should now reached the conclusion that the second call should not be made, the committee ought to give us some reason for the delay."

The confidence expressed by the Senator in the Committee on Foreign Relations," replied Mr. Frye sarcastically, "renders our reply to the Senator unnecessary. The committee is keeping discreetly in asking for the information it deems necessary. The committee is keeping discreetly in asking for the information it deems necessary. The committee is keeping discreetly in asking for the information it deems nec

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Then, the mysterious rabbits, in all kinds of "cute" and funny positions and conditions. Here, they're wheeling in a carriage, candy-filled. There, they're holding a candy-filled basket. Here's a tiny nest of tinier rabbits,—candy underneath,—ten cents. There's a sixty-five pound chocolate rabbit,—$25. Here, there, and everywhere are pretty Easter fancies and novelties, but every last one of them has some connection with candies.

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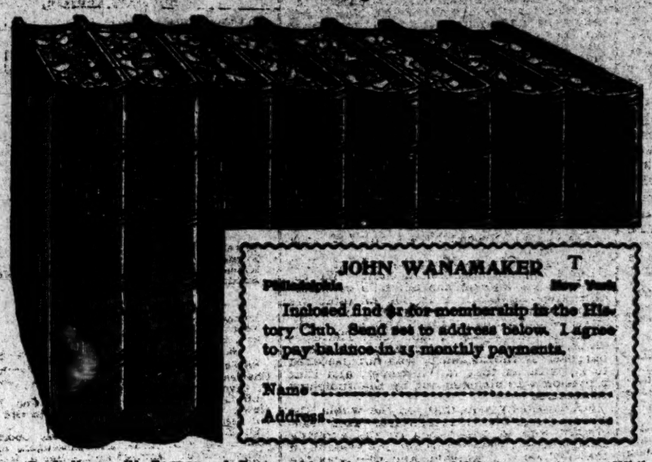

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A PREDICTION OF PEACE

Cuban Freedom Will Be Granted by Spain Without War, a Down-Town Business Man Says.

THE GROUNDS OF HIS BELIEF

France and the Vatican, He Believes, Will Influence Her to Yield—A Member of the Junta Agrees with This View.

"Cuba will be free and there will be no war." Thus spoke yesterday a down-town business man who has extensive connections with the countries of Europe. "I do not say this," he added, "because I am intrusted with inside secrets of matters of state, but only because I believe that such knowledge as I have enables me to judge of the situation and the probabilities.

"The powers in Europe which exert the greatest influence in Spain are those which have the greatest interests in that country. We have already heard the pacific words of Premier Hanotaux of France, and we have been told that Ambassador Cambon has called at the State Department. The only interest that France has in the question is a financial one. A large amount of the Spanish bonds are held in France. There is a mistaken impression that they are held by the Rothschilds. The Rothschilds are much too shrewd to risk good gold in Spanish securities.

"The fact is that not the Rothschilds, but their clients, are holders of Spanish bonds. France knows that Spain must give up Cuba; that the will of the United States must be done; that it will be done by peaceful measures or by force; if by force, that Spanish securities will lose their already depressed value; that there will not be [illegible] for its continuity instead of under compulsion, and to have it provided that from such indemnity the French bondholders shall be recompensed.

Power of the Vatican.

"Then there is another force at work. We have heard that the Pope has offered his good offices to secure a peaceful solution of the Cuban difficulty, but it has not been generally known that the Vatican has investments in Spanish bonds. As a matter of fact, the Vatican has 60,000,000 in Spanish bonds, and the Vatican, like France, is not deceived by Spanish misrepresentations. The Vatican knows that Spain must withdraw from this continent. It recognizes not only the tremendous power of the great Republic of the West, but the irresistible force of the modern ideas and sentiments which sway it. Spain must go, and it is to the interest of Spain and of France and of the Vatican that she should go peaceably.

"If the truth could be known, I doubt not that it would be found that Sagasta also recognizes this, too. But we are told that Sagasta fears for the safety of the dynasty, to say nothing of his own power that has just been so notably reinforced and supported by the elections. Here again, however, comes in the influence of the Papacy. Most of the clergy, certainly the regular orders, are Carlists. There can be no doubt that it has been the influence of the Pope exerted through the priests that has kept the Carlists within bounds through the present crisis, and if I mistake not, this same influence is a power more potent for peace than the diplomacy of the man from Canton, Ohio. Spain will back down and out, and the star of McKinley, which seemed for a few days to have been waning, will be again in the ascendant."

What One of the Junta Thinks.

There was unusual quiet at the headquarters of the Cuban Junta yesterday. Gen. Palma was still in Washington, and Horatio S. Rubens, the counsel, was buried in big volumes up at the Bar Association. Leon Benoit, associate counsel for the Junta, answered queries, and curiously enough, the idea that there would be no war advanced by the business men already quoted was espoused by him also.

When the fall of the newspaper was jostled and the captions of the yellow journals were discarded, and the word "War" was blotted out, Mr. Benoit was asked: "Will there be war?"

"No, I do not think there will be war."

"You mean you think that Spain will guarantee the independence of Cuba without being compelled to by war with the United States?" he was asked.

"That is just what I mean."

"And on what basis?" questioned the reporter.

[illegible] is the way in Cuba progressed and their chances of success increased. Only ten days ago they were willing to pay an indemnity for Spain's withdrawal from the island of $100,000,000. But, they said, if Spain waits till the rainy season we will pay nothing. Recent events have made the Cubans loath to pay any sum for indemnity at this time, but if it will facilitate the negotiations of the United States to secure Cuban independence without war, the Cubans will agree to the payment of an indemnity of $100,000,000. No armistice, however, will be agreed to. The Cubans, Mr. Benoit said, are too familiar with Spanish "manana" (to-morrow.) They are not deceived by it, though the United States may be. The Spaniards say "no" to the propositions of the American Government now; that is natural. They send their fleets over the ocean; that is for effect at home and abroad, but they will bow before the ultimatum of the United States, and Sagasta will say to the Spanish people, "You see, we had to get out of Cuba, but the Cubans did not make us. The United States did it, but we get an indemnity, and while we pay an indemnity to the United States for the Maine, we don't really pay it ourselves, the Cubans pay it."

Mr. Benoit was asked about the new Blanco proposition to care for the reconcentrados and return them to the country, to their homes, and their farms.

Weyler's "Relief" Fund.

"Their burned homes and desolated farms," suggested he. "Well, Weyler set apart $100,000 for the relief of these reconcentrados just before he left Cuba, providing, however, that if any of the Spanish soldiers were in as great need as were the reconcentrados their necessities should be first attended to. It does not speak well for the condition of Weyler's soldiers that the money all went to them.

"This relief movement of Blanco's is for effect. The future condition of the reconcentrados would, indeed, be pitiable if it depended on the tender mercies of Spanish charity. Charity, to take it must be charitably administered. Spain has sought in countless ways to hamper the distribution of food and clothes, which she could not give herself and which Americans have provided. What, then, could you expect of Spanish charity? This move is, in fact, not only for effect abroad, but it is designed also to thwart the purpose of the United States, and to make more difficult the administering of relief by scattering the reconcentrados—and this will be done without any adequate system for re-establishing them on farms."

Mr. Benoit's attention was called to a report from Havana that patriotic Spaniards, resident in Mexico, had raised a large sum, which would be indefinitely increased, and was designed to be used for the relief of the reconcentrados. He said that he had noticed the report, and it was a signal illustration of the Spanish method of propaganda, in which, however, there had been a ludicrous miscarriage. He called attention to the fact that a report from Madrid was published the same day, which evidently referred to the same fund, but which was characterized in the Madrid dispatch as a patriotic fund. Thus the alleged fund was made to do double duty. There might be no such fund, but in the United States the report made it a relief fund; in Spain it was a patriotic fund.

"We will await with interest," said Mr. Benoit, "its distribution as a relief and patriotic fund, and trust that it will not go the way of Weyler's relief fund."

The Sales of Cuban Bonds.

The attention of Mr. Benoit was called to the recent talk of Cuban Republic bonds, which ascribes to them a reckless circulation among persons in Washington.

"When Cuba is free," said Mr. Benoit, "there will be no holder of these bonds who will object to having his identity known. Gen. Palma was authorized in 1896 to issue $3,000,000 of Cuban bonds, payable ten years after the evacuation of Cuba, with accrued interest at 6 per cent in United States gold coin. Bonds were printed to the extent of $3,000,000 in denominations of $1,000, $500, $100, and $50. Frankly speaking, the bond issue was not a success. We sold about $500,000 of them, realising $250,000, or 50 per cent. We had hoped to raise a million or more. We disposed of none for less than 40 per cent. We sold some as of per cent, and the latest were sold for 45 per cent, and Cuban 6 per cents were [illegible] quoted at that on the Stock Exchange. I don't know how they came to be quoted at all I do not know. The bonds that have been taken were bought sometimes in small lots by persons desirous of aiding Cuba. The lowest prices were received from speculators, who took sufficiently large amounts to make it an object. Some of them were bought on account of a few wealthy and well-known New Yorkers. General Palma could have disposed of many more at a low price, but he has refrained from involving the Government of the new Cuba in unnecessary debt. We have been kept busy dodging propositions for bonds, some persons [illegible] for options, but we gave no encouragement to them. Whatever may be the future of Cuba, I am sure that the total would be of very small [illegible] and declare help to the Cuban cause. So you see there is no mystery about the Cuban bonds, save that which the wily Spaniard weaves about them."

CORRESPONDENT MUSGRAVE'S CASE.

British Consul General at Havana Makes Inquiries About Him.

HAVANA, March 31.—British Consul General Golian said to-night that he called to-day on Dr. José Congosto, the Secretary General, with reference to Mr. George C. Musgrave, the American correspondent, who was deported yesterday, being sent on board the mail steamer Buenos Ayres, bound for Cadiz, and that Dr. Congosto informed him that Mr. Musgrave was not a prisoner on the ship.

No orders had been given to prevent his taking his baggage with him. Mr. Musgrave, Dr. Congosto said, would not be allowed to land at Puerto Rico or the Canary Islands, but the moment he set foot on Spanish soil at Cadiz he would be a free man. Dr. Congosto added that there was nothing to prevent sending word by wire to Puerto Rico, instructing some one to meet Mr. Musgrave there on the arrival of the steamer and to provide him with clothing and money.

ARANGUREN'S CAPTOR WOUNDED.

Lieut. Col. Benedicto Shot in the Back at Guanabacoa.

HAVANA, March 31.—It is announced that Lieut. Col. Benedicto, who commanded the Spanish forces which killed the insurgent leader Aranguren, has been wounded by a revolver shot in the back while visiting the house of Dr. Francisco Vidal, at Guanabacoa. A colored man who fired the shot succeeded in escaping.

Aranguren was the insurgent chief who caused the execution of Lieut. Col. Ruiz, the aide de camp of Capt. Gen. Blanco, who visited the camp of the insurgents with propositions of surrender in the latter part of December last. Aranguren was surprised and killed about a month later.

ANSWER TO EDWARD J. PHELPS.

Charles Henry Butler Replies to Him on the Cuban Question.

Charles Henry Butler has issued an open letter to ex-Minister E. J. Phelps in response to the public letter on the Cuban question recently written by the latter to ex-Gov. Levi P. Morton.

Mr. Butler denies the contention of Mr. Phelps that it is a recognized canon of international law that nothing but a nation's interest or honor justifies interference in the affairs of another nation, and quotes authorities to support his view. "Grotius," says Mr. Butler, "first admitted that humanity and civilisation were important elements in national affairs, and Maine tells us now his then novel volume resulted in the suspension of Louis XIV.'s famous order of refusal of quarter to the Dutch, because all the powers of that day had experienced a realising sense that war must not be unnecessarily cruel, and that they had a right to be heard even if not involved.

"Vattel, in the last century, held that a foreign power has a right to succor an oppressed people who implore its assistance when from good reasons they take up arms against an oppressor, and that 'it is but an act of justice and generosity to assist brave men in the defense of their liberties.'

Mr. Butler quotes Theodore D. Woolsey, in saying: "Elizabeth of England sent aid to the revolted Hollanders on religious grounds and Cromwell's threats slackened the persecution of the Waldenses by the Duke of Savoy. In modern times, the interference of Great Britain, France and Russia on behalf of the Greeks in 1827, and of Russia on behalf of the Bulgarians fifty years later, were avowedly dictated by motives of humanity." Woolsey, Mr. Butler added, commends them on that score. W. E. Hall and Wheaton are other authors quoted in support of intervention for humanity.

ADDITION TO FORT WADSWORTH.

Workmen Are Busy Clearing the Land Recently Purchased.

Workmen have been set at work clearing the land recently purchased by the Government south of Fort Wadsworth. As the buildings were all old, they have been destroyed by dynamite or fire. The Government has also obtained possession of the property of the late Capt. A. J. Kane, which adjoins.

The property now being converted into a part of the Fort Wadsworth military reservation consists of a tract of [illegible] on the side of old Clifton Cemetery. It is [illegible] that the Government will erect [illegible] on the property.

LOSSES BY FIRE.

NORTH BRATTLEBORO, Mass., March 31.—Miss [illegible] Smith & Co., manufacturers of [illegible] Curtis & Co., manufacturers of [illegible] and J. E. Malone's [illegible] were burned [illegible] a loss of $60,000 by [illegible] were insured for this morning. [illegible] $40,000 [illegible] were insured for [illegible] $20,000 [illegible] were insured for [illegible]

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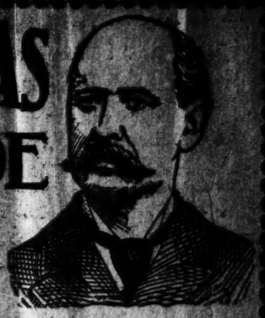

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DINNER TO JOSEPH JEFFERSON.

A Guest of the Colonial Club, He Is Toasted and Feted—Much Patriotic Enthusiasm.

Joseph Jefferson was the guest of the Colonial Club last evening at a dinner given at the clubhouse, the Boulevard and Seventy-second Street. Mr. Jefferson sat at the right of the President, L. Laflin Kellogg. Others at this table were William Winter, the Rev. Dr. T. R. Slicer, Horace White, E. T. Bartlett, St. Clair McKelway, Charles A. Moore, and Walter S. Logan. Among the others in the company, which was a large one, were Russell Sage, Ira Bliss Stewart, J. E. Learycraft, William F. King, W. J. K. Kemy, John Elderkin, Frank Tilford, Frank H. Platt, Aldace F. Walker, William T. Evans, J. N. Golding, J. V. V. Olcott, Henry B. Wilson, Harvey B. Fisk, Eugene L. Bushe, John K. Cilley, George R. Bidwell, William E. Webb, George A. Hearn, William R. Corwin, Henry D. Hotchkiss, and William H. Kenyon. Mrs. Donald McLean and Miss Martin looked down for a time from the gallery.

Before the dinner was concluded the President arose and said: "Gentlemen: I do not think any function of this kind can be complete without a recognition of the great peril of the hour. Let us rise and drink to President McKinley. May God bless him and give him wisdom to guide us to peace, but only to a peace with honor."

The toast was received with cheers, and was followed by the singing of "America," "The Star-Spangled Banner," "Dixie," "Maryland, My Maryland," and "Marching Through Georgia," significant of the united front of America to the Spaniard. When coffee was served, the company rose and sang "The Star-Spangled Banner" with great enthusiasm, and then President Kellogg delivered a eulogistic address of welcome to the guest of the club, and closed by proposing the toast to him of long life and health and prosperity. The company rose and shouted: "May he live long and prosper," sang "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow," and gave three cheers for Mr. Jefferson.

In response Mr. Jefferson expressed his gratification at his kindly reception and related a number of humorous experiences of his own upon the stage. He said it was delightful for him to join in the most unanimous, if not entirely harmonious, response to the toast to the President. This slip hit at some of the members of the Colonial Club, who are impatient at the President's deliberate policy, was apparently enjoyed, even by those at whom it was aimed.

Mr. Jefferson replied to several questions proposed to him. One of these was "What do you think of a subsidized theatre in America?" and his answer was that he favored the idea of such a subsidy, but that it is not practicable. In conclusion Mr. Jefferson proposed the health of the company.

In response to the toast, "The Poet and the Player," William Winter paid a tribute to Mr. Jefferson's beneficent life, saying he has been a blessing and a guide to thousands of English-speaking people all over the world. Mr. Winter read a poem of his own written in honor of Mr. Jefferson.

The Rev. Dr. Slicer, whose theme was "The Pulpit and the Stage," said that Mr. Jefferson is the best example of all that ministers of the Gospel hope that the stage may become. Other toasts were "The Editor and the Actor," St. Clair McKelway, and "The Pleasures of Life," W. S. Logan.

EX-PRESIDENT HARRISON HERE.

He Makes a Statement Denying Several Rumors Arising from His Visit to New York.

Ex-President Harrison arrived in the city yesterday from Indianapolis, and his arrival was made the basis or all sorts of rumors, some of which appeared in print as facts. As a consequence his rooms at the Fifth Avenue Hotel were overrun last night by visitors. In response to a request to affirm or deny some of the rumors, Mr. Harrison dictated this statement:

My visit to New York was not hastily determined upon. I have been anticipating it for a month, and it was definitely determined upon a week ago. I am here purely and solely on professional business as the request of my associate counsel and without any suggestion from any other source. I do not expect to meet or confer with any one on any matter relating to public affairs, nor will I give any interview relating to the Cubans or any other matter.

No one has been authorized to express my views. That work I always do for myself when I think it needs doing. I feel a grave and solicitous interest in our relations with Spain, but I am not charged with the responsibility of conducting them, and would not on any account say or do anything that might embarrass those who are. The President and Congress will, I hope, continue in those relations of confidence and harmony that are essential in such a crisis. It would be very grievous and very injurious if they should fall apart.

I am sure that I can serve my country best by keeping silent just now, and perhaps others might help in the same way. I shall be in New York for a week or ten days, and shall be busy. This statement as final and not to ask for interviews that I cannot give.

Mr. Harrison said he was feeling well and strong and that Mrs. Harrison is also well. The baby has a slight cold.

Lexington Sale of Trotters.

LEXINGTON, Ky., March 31.—There was another large crowd at the sale of trotters here to-day, and bidding was more spirited. Eighty-eight head were sold for $10,960, the average price being $124. The best prices were brought by Berkshire Chimes, 2:17¾, by Chimes, dam by Alcyone, bought for Douglas Thomas of Paris for $300, and Dimena, a bay mare, nine years old, by Nutwood, dam by Cuyler, Brook Curry of Lexington was the purchaser, for $600.

Taken Suddenly Ill and Died.

At 6:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon a woman, who gave her name as Emma L. Miller, went into Stein's drug store, at Twenty-seventh Street and Sixth Avenue, and complained of being violently ill. The clerk in charge summoned an ambulance, and she was taken to the New York Hospital, where she died soon after arrival. It was thought at first she had been poisoned, but the physicians later concluded that she died of heart failure. The woman was plainly, but neatly dressed, and gave every evidence of respectability. She was apparently about twenty-eight years old.

New Electric Line for Pennsylvania.

READING, Penn., March 31.—An electric railroad twenty miles in length, between Allentown and Kutztown, Penn., and running almost parallel with the East Pennsylvania Branch of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, will be built by capitalists in this section. Application for a charter will be made to Gov. Hastings April 25.

YESTERDAY'S FIRES.

(From 12 o'clock Wednesday night until 12 o'clock Thursday night.)

MANHATTAN AND BRONX.

8:20 A. M.—637 Eleventh Avenue; M. Flanagan; damage, $10.

10:10 A. M.—349 West Thirty-seventh Street; P. Michael; damage, $10.

7:45 P. M.—133 West Fifteenth Street; Mrs. Mary Mulligan; damage, $25.

6:15 P. M.—324 West Seventy-first Street; David Shannon; damage, $5.

6:45 P. M.—40 Essex Street; Joseph Minskil; damage, $5.

7 P. M.—22 Clinton Street; owner unknown; no damage.

7:20 P. M.—201 Broome Street; Louis Minsky; damage, $1.

7:30 P. M.—201 West Eighty-eighth Street; Mrs. Valentine; damage, $400.

9 P. M.—235 East Fifty-fifth Street; owner unknown; damage, $100.

9:40 P. M.—198 Stanton Street; Max Kent; damage, $2,000.

AT THE HOTELS.

FIFTH AVENUE—Gen. Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis.

HOFFMAN—J. S. Murdock, London; Judge Andrew Hamilton, Albany.

IMPERIAL—Adjt. Gen. H. S. Redfield, Connecticut.

WALDORF—Dr. Ivan Schleicher, Berlin; Vivian Harris, England; Henry H. Weller, Mexico.

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Broger, A. A., Baltimore, Md.; L. Luke Levy, clothing; Hotel Marlborough.

Blake, Dowell & Helm, Baltimore, Md.; A. W. Helm, millinery; St. Denis Hotel.

Barnard, Sumner & Putnam Company, Worcester, Mass.; W. H. Caldwell, cloaks and suits; 52 Franklin Street; Hotel Metropole.

Callender, McAuslan & Troup Company, Providence, R. I.; A. J. Ferguson, dress trimmings, 2 Walker Street; Hotel Manhattan.

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Conrad & Co., Boston, Mass.; M. A. Holbrook, cloaks and suits; Hotel Vendome.

Frear, William H., & Co., Troy, N. Y.; D. R. McGonigal, silks and velvets; Westminster Hotel.

Farwell, J. V., Company, Chicago, Ill.; R. G. Harman, notions and furnishing goods; 112 Worth Street; Westminster Hotel.

Fox, G. & Co., Hartford, Conn.; M. Stern, fancy goods; M. Kaufman, ladies' and infants' wear, 45 Lispenard Street; Hotel Metropole.

Goodson Brothers, Glens Falls, N. Y.; J. A. Goodson, notions and furnishing goods; St. Denis Hotel.

Goldenberg Brothers, Baltimore, Md.; L. Goldenberg, dress goods, silks, and velvets; Hotel Albert.

Herman Brothers, Lindauer & Co., Nashville, Tenn.; L. Herman, notions; 45 Leonard Street.

Hart, B., & Co., Cincinnati, Ohio; S. Spitz, clothing; Hoffman House.

Hatch, H. R., & Co., Cleveland, Ohio; H. R. Hatch, woolens and white goods; Holland House.

Houston & Henderson, Boston, Mass.; R. Henderson, silks; J. A. Houston, dress goods; Murray Hill Hotel.

Jordan, Marsh, & Co., Boston, Mass.; C. G. Robinson, millinery; C. B. Cady, linens; 8 Greene Street.

Kaufman Bros., Pittsburg, Penn.; E. Kaufman, dry goods; 746 Broadway; Hoffman House.

Larrabee, B. F., & Co., Boston, Mass.; D. W. Newton, books; L. L. Phillips, small wares; Hotel Cadillac.

MacInnes, J. C., Company, Worcester, Mass.; [illegible]

[illegible] Brothers, Philadelphia, Penn.; A. J. Osterheimer, notions; 32 Broadway; Holland House.

Miller, J. J., & Co., Pittsburg, Penn.; T. A. Marshall, millinery; F. L. Gallett, millinery; Broadway Central Hotel.

Mills, D., & Co., Utica, N. Y.; H. D. Fisher, clothing, 238 Broadway; Hoffman House.

Millard, A. J., & Co., Lowell, Mass.; H. Donahue, furnishing goods; Hotel Imperial.

Quinn, Woodland & Co., Fall River, Mass.; H. Woodland, ladies and infants' wear; Broadway Central Hotel.

Reid & Hoses, Worcester, Conn.; A. S. Reid, laces and hosiery; 84 Franklin Street; Murray Hill Hotel.

Reed, J. F., Portland, Me., notions, millinery; 1211 Broadway; Union Square Hotel.

Schenicke, C., Lebanon, Penn.; dry goods; Hoffman House.

Sloan, Lindsay & Cook Company, Rochester, N. Y.; J. McCarthy, [illegible]; 454 Broome Street; Hotel Albert.

Smith & Co., Clothing Company, St. Louis, Mo.; E. [illegible] clothing; 18 White Street; Hotel Savoy.

Smith & Murray, [illegible] Brothers, Haverhill, Mass.; J. D. Jordan, underwear; 18 White Street.

Stevens, [illegible] Company, Rochester, N. Y.; [illegible] Hardware; 454 Broome Street; [illegible] Hotel.

Sterndale Brothers, [illegible] notions, fancy goods, and laces; 454 Broome Street; Park Avenue Hotel.

Thurston & Co., [illegible] Bridgeport, Conn.; F. S. Thurston, [illegible] notions; 18 White Street; Murray Hill Hotel.

Tower, Barnes & Co., [illegible]; F. P. Dyer, 1200 Broadway; Central Hotel.

Wood, John, & Co., Philadelphia, Penn.; G. H. Wood, [illegible] handkerchiefs and linens; Broadway Central Hotel.

[illegible] Bros., Albany, N. Y.; I. J. Waldmann, [illegible]; Hotel [illegible].

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Racing at Ingleside.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.—Raining at Ingleside:

FIRST RACE.—Purse; maidens; six furlongs. Bitter Root won, Toriba second, Bronze third. Time—1:18½.

SECOND RACE.—Selling; seven furlongs. Break of Day won, Sir Dilke second, The Murphy third. Time—1:29½.

THIRD RACE.—Gentlemen riders; one mile. Metaire won, Don Clermont second, William O'B third. Time—1:43½.

FOURTH RACE.—Allowances for two-year-olds; five furlongs. Tuscan won, Orianna second, Joe Young third. Time—1:01½.

FIFTH RACE.—Selling; mile and an eighth. Red Cross won, Delight second, Mayflaramham third. Time—1:56½.

SIXTH RACE.—Allowances; [illegible] O'Connell won, Rosemont second, [illegible] third. Time—1:57½.

[illegible] SHOCK IN CALIFORNIA.

Formidable Earthquake Which Passed Under San Francisco Did Much Damage to Buildings.

NARROW ESCAPES REPORTED

United States Navy Yard Buildings Demolished, but the Charleston in Dry Dock Escapes—No Lives Lost—1,700 Government Employes Idle.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.—This city and a portion of the State were shaken at 11:43 o'clock last night by the most severe earthquake experienced here since 1868, when several persons were killed. This time, however, no fatalities have been reported.

Five families narrowly escaped being buried in wreckage by the collapse of the tenement 445 Clementina street, which followed the rocking tremor. Propped up on the frailest supports, with practically no foundation, the flimsy structure sank three feet below the sidewalk in shifting sand, and now stands a misshapen mass, ready to tumble like a pack of cards at the first disturbance. The occupants, most of them awakened from sleep, were caught as in a trap. Doors, warped out of shape, would not open, and windows were jammed. While the wildest excitement prevailed within, neighbors, attracted by the crash and the screams of women and children, were doing their best to liberate the unfortunate prisoners.

The doors were finally burst open, and the women, many of them scarcely able to walk, were conveyed across the way and cared for by friends. All were luckily got out without injury, except W. F. Howe, who was badly jammed by falling timbers; Mrs. J. N. Davis, seventy-five years old, and Mrs. Herman Kaiser, the latter an invalid, had to be carried from their wrecked homes.

A house at Fifth and Tehama Streets was thrown down and the great crane at Garrett's foundry was sent crashing to the ground.

Along the water front and among the shipping in the harbor the shock was very severe. Windows were broken, glasses and crockery were shattered in the saloons and residences, and exciting personal experiences were related by many. Out on the bay a violent tidal wave lifted small boats high upon its crest and threatened death to their occupants.

In the Strathmore House, on Larkin and Fulton Streets, the plaster was shaken off the walls by the severity of the shock.

The old Supreme Court Building, on the corner of McAllister and Larkin streets, was shaken up considerably, the visible signs of the seismic visitation being one chimney tilted at an angle of 15 degrees from the perpendicular and another turned almost completely around from its original position.

In the Merchants' Exchange a quantity of plaster was shaken down, but no great damage was done.

The nineteen-story Claus Spreckels Building was not injured in the least, though it swayed like a great tree in a storm. At least 100 stores south of Market Street suffered severely, chiefly by the breaking of frail articles.

At the store of H. Van Costelbeck, on Market Street, several hundred dollars worth of interior decorations were injured.

The drug store of E. Happensburger, on the northwest corner of Mission and Sixth Streets, was damaged severely. The rear room was a mass of broken bottles, the mixed contents of which almost flooded the store.

The entire electric light system on all the floors of the White House, on Kearney Street, was thrown on by the vibration and the building was brilliantly fluminated. Telegraph and telephone wires were badly crossed, and communication was interrupted.

In the Winchester House, 44 Third Street, the windows broke, walls and ceilings cracked, scattering broken glass and plaster. A coil-oil lamp was upset in the house of Mrs. Hayes, 178 Minnesota Street. The oil was ignited, but was soon extinguished.

The shock was apparently confined to Northern California, the soutnern part of the State reporting this morning that no shock was felt there. Vallejo and Mare Island suffered much damage, the loss at the Navy Yard being estimated at not less than $25,000. The Naval Hospital was wrecked and the Government sawmill blown down. In the town of Vallejo, just across the channel, the shock runs into the thousands. At the University of California, in Berkeley the seismagraph at the students' observatory shows that the shock lasted between thirty and forty seconds. The general direction of the vibration was from east to west. The instrument shows that the shock was very heavy in a small area. A slight vertical vibration was also recorded by the instrument.

DAMAGE AT MARE ISLAND.

Government Property Valued at $150,000 Destroyed.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Information received at the Navy Department from San Francisco shows that the yard at Mare Island suffered severely from last night's earthquake shock. The sawmill and paint shop of the Bureau of Construction and Repair was entirely destroyed and considerable other damage done. The Charleston is in dry dock, and, it appears, has sustained no serious damage. Commodore Hichborne, Chief of the Bureau of Construction and Repair, says the loss sustained will result in a month's set-back to the work in hand. Only two of the buildings escaped damage.

A conservative estimate of the damage done by the earthquake shock at the navy yard is placed at $150,000. All departments have ceased work, except that of Equipments and the Yards and Dock. Seventeen hundred employes of the yard are idle.

THE GLEDHILL COMMITTEE.

Its Power Was Defied—Extra Legislative Session May Be Called.

When the Gledhill Investigating Committee, appointed by the New Jersey Assembly to inquire into alleged official corruption in Hudson County, met in Jersey City yesterday after a two weeks' vacation, it struck a snag. Among the witnesses cited to appear were a number of employes of the indicted Freeholders, Sheriff William Heller, and Richard Judge, who was accused of having acted as a fake policeman in the service of James McNally, the "green goods king," and whose duty it was to frighten "come backs" out of the city, had been cited, but the Sheriff, on the advice of his counsel, A. L. McDermott, did not appear. Mr. Heller, he said, would come at any time the committee might request. Mr. McDermott was also there for Richard Judge.

Mr. McDermott proposed to give a resume of the testimony adduced at the previous session from Conrad Prell, when Mr. McCarter, counsel to the committee, objected. He then proceeded to attack the authority of the committee, and extended it to ex-Gov. Griggs, whom he charged with an unfounded reflection upon the Judicial Department of the Government. McDermott asserted that the committee, now that the Assembly had adjourned, has no power to further conduct the investigation. Acting upon his advice, Richard Judge declined to be sworn.

The committee being somewhat in doubt adjourned for two weeks. Assemblyman Squires stated that in his opinion an extra session of the Legislature would be called in order to give the committee any additional power that may be necessary. The matter has been laid before Gov. Voorhees.

Newark Republican Convention.

NEWARK, March 31.—At the Republican City Convention, held to-night, John C. Eisele was nominated for Mayor, Dr. J. S. Newsmith for Trustee of the City Home, and Joseph S. Vinson for member of the Board of Works. The convention adopted resolutions expressing confidence in the wisdom and ability of the President and his Cabinet and in the patriotism of Congress and all branches of the National Government.

The Elizabeth Republicans.

ELIZABETH, N. J., March 31.—The Republican City Convention, held to-night, nominated William A. M. Mook for Mayor without opposition. George T. Parrott was named for Surrogate, Frederick Miller for Councilman at Large, and Joseph Benedict, William H. Hulskamper, and J. C. Corden for Freeholders.

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[illegible] Foundering Man Ends His Life by Swallowing Four of Lancaster.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., March 31.—In a fit of [illegible] Arnout Cannon, an architect and a prominent resident of this city, shot himself through the heart this afternoon, and probably expired instantly. The act was committed in the Masonic Temple, which Mr. Cannon designed and the construction of which he superintended. He was an active member of the Masonic order.

On a table near the body was found a note addressed to Coroner Frost, saying that, owing to increased ill-health and dread of ending his days in an insane asylum, he preferred to take his life.

Arnout Cannon was born in this city in 1839. He studied architecture in the office of Frederick Diaper, New York, and opened an office for himself in Poughkeepsie in 1862. During the same year he enlisted in the One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Regiment, and later was transferred to the Ninety-seventh United States Colored Infantry, of which he became Lieutenant Colonel. He received his discharge in 1865, and had been in active business here ever since. He was a member of the firm of Cannon & Lloyd.

SAYS HIS AGE IS 126.

Raby Is in a Jersey Poorhouse—Heard Washington Make a Speech.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., March 31.—The distinction of having attained the age of 126 years will fall to Noah Raby, an inmate of the Piscataway Township poorhouse, near here, to-morrow, if his story is correct.

Raby says he was born April 1, 1772, at Eatontown, Gates County, N. C. His father was a North American Indian named Andrew Bass. His mother was a native of South Carolina. In early manhood, he says, he fell in love, and finally went to sea to cure his passion, and was on the Brandywine for a time. He left the service before the war of 1812 broke out. The enlistment papers of the Brandywine were burned when the British destroyed Washington in the war, so this part of Noah's story cannot be corroborated.

The old man is positive that he heard Gen. George Washington speak when he was a young man. He says it was at Norfolk, and the General was mad about something, and said: "Keep right on, fellow-citizens, as you have been going on, and I can assure you that we will have the devil to pay in this Republic, and no pitch hot."

The old man enjoys general good health. For a number of years he was stone blind, but last Summer an oculist removed a cataract from one of his eyes, and he is now able to use his sight. Raby's memory is excellent. Henry G. Hummer, Overseer of the poor farm, says that one of his cousins came to visit him recently for the first time in nineteen years. Raby remembered the man by the sound of his voice, and called him by name. Mr. Hummer's cousin remembered seeing Raby when he was 107 years old.

FOOD TABLETS FOR KLONDIKE.

A Problem for the U. S. Appraisers to Solve—New Appointments.

A variety of uniquely prepared food products designed for sale in the Klondike region have reached this port from Germany within the past few days. Some of these importations display extraordinary ingenuity on the part of the German manufacturers in the condensation of staple articles of food. Prepared potatoes, the yolks of eggs, coffee, and teas are put up in the most compact form possible, each tiny package supposed to contain an individual portion for a meal. Coffee is ground, made into a paste, and cut into lozenges about the size of an ordinary checker. The teas are made into little tablets about an inch square, with an indentation in the centre large enough to hold two tiny wafers of strong saccharine, each wafer having the sweetening power of a teaspoonful of sugar.

Appraiser Wordin and some of the [illegible] were busy yesterday trying to determine whether these tea tablets can be classified under the provisions of the new tea [illegible] rigid enactment excludes all teas in which there is 10 [illegible] more of dust. In the preparation of the Klondike tablets the teas have been ground to a dust, and afterward moistened and pressed into tablet form, each tablet to make one cup of tea. The question to be officially determined is whether the tablets shall be classified as tea or as a manufactured article.

Mr. Wordin has been promoted from the position of expert examiner in the Seventh Division of the Appraiser's department. He succeeds W. W. Moore, who was recently in charge of the United States [illegible]

Railway Bill Dropped.

ALBANY, March 31.—In the Senate to-day bills moved the six months' hold over Smith's bill for a railway from Harbor to Fort Selkirk, on the [illegible] that an all-Canadian route was needed that this road would benefit the [illegible] of Seattle, Tacoma, and the Atlantic cities. An amendment was [illegible] which was only [illegible] to indefinitely. Meantime the bill [illegible]

CRUSADE AGAINST COMSTOCK.

Philip A. Smith Arrested at Cornwall for Selling Obscene Books.

NEWBURG, N. Y., March 31.—Philip A. Smith of Fishkill Landing was arrested at Cornwall last Tuesday for selling obscene literature and has been sent to the county jail at Goshen to await the action of the Grand Jury. Smith is a brother of John T. Smith of Fishkill Landing, who is President of the First National Bank, Mechanics' Savings Bank, and Citizens' Street Railroad, and is also Chairman of the Republican County Committee of Dutchess County.

Smith is an eccentric fellow, and for many years has made a comfortable living by selling books. It is said that he has $3,000 in the Fishkill bank in this city which he has made in this way, and it has been known for some time that he has been dealing in books which would not meet the views of Anthony Comstock. He has also done a good business in renting these books for 25 and 30 cents until they were read. The persons who have rented these books are young boys.

Centenarian and Hermit Dead.

SARATOGA, March 31.—Philip Jackson, aged 102 years, a hermit living near Lake Echo in the Town of Moreau, Saratoga County, was found dead in his mountain home to-day. Jackson was the oldest person in Saratoga County.

EASTER GOODS AT TIFFANY'S.

Handsome Novelties in Glass and Silverware on Exhibition.

An entirely new effect in glassware novelties is one of the attractive features in the display of Easter goods at Tiffany's Union Square establishment. It is known as the Tiffany Favrile glass, and is an exquisitely delicate combination of various colors so blended as to make an iridescent effect. Vases, jardinières, perfume bottles, card trays, and finger bowls in unique shapes are shown in this material. Another novelty in this class is the peacock glassware, similar in style to the Favrile, but of considerably darker shades, and emblazoned with fac simile peacock-feather "eyes."

The case in which these goods are contained is covered by a splendid display of silver vases for Easter flowers and some fine specimens of Russian enamel vases. Russian silver, painted on wood and covered with silver and enamel, form in themselves an attractive feature, and are exquisite specimens of Russian handiwork.

A small glass case is devoted to an exhibition of fine ornaments in Burmese gold effects, including girdles studded with amethysts, pearls, and aqua marines, hair ornaments, lorgnettes, and vinaigrettes. A rich display is made of gold fancy articles, not strictly jewelry, set with semi-precious stones, lace parasols, with carbuncle tops, Canuchin setting.

Some choice examples of French vases with enameled figuring, in heights ranging from three to six inches, appeal to the art lovers, as the designs are beautifully executed. Also an inexpensive novelty, consisting of flower jardinières, with the natural leaves and plants, is meeting with quite a demand.

The room is given up to old English silver, showing the coats-of-arms of many [illegible] British families.—Adv.

NEW YORK LEGISLATURE

The Senate and Assembly of 1898 Conclude Their Work and Adjourn.

THE TAX RATE 2.08 MILLS

Lowest with Two Exceptions Since 1856—Provision Made for Several Investigations—Senator Cantor to Retire.

ALBANY, March 31.—The session of the Legislature of 1898 came to an end to-day, the Senate adjourning at 1:35 o'clock and the Assembly at 3:20. Aside from the emergency appropriation of $1,000,000 for the National Guard, the most important business transacted was the passage of the regular appropriation and supply bills and the tax rate bill.

The tax rate adopted by the Legislature is 2.08 mills, the lowest since 1856, except the years 1891 and 1892, when the large amount refunded by the Government to the State permitted an abnormally low rate. The general appropriations made by this Legislature, including the appropriation bill carrying $6,372,262.06 and the supply and supplemental supply bills appropriating $1,850,000, amount to $10,112,605.86. To this are added appropriations made in 1897, but not included in the tax levy of that year, amounting to $630,000, making the total $10,742,605.86.

The estimated revenues from the corporation tax, inheritance tax, liquor tax, and other sources, including a surplus of $1,533,707.92, is $10,749,457.92, leaving only $6,852.06 to be raised by taxation for general purposes. The appropriations for canal bridges and repairs amount to $224,126.14, and deducting a surplus of $29,000, the amount to be raised for this purpose is $195,126.14. The free school tax amounts to $4,112,200.

The tax rate is made up as follows: Canals, 17-100 mills; schools, 84-100 mills; canal maintenance, 19-100 mills; canal special appropriations, 7-100 mills; State care of the insane, 81-100 mills; total, 2.08 mills.

In introducing the Tax Rate bill the Republican leaders in both houses claimed credit for the low rate, while the Democratic leaders declared that the Legislature had been more extravagant than many of its predecessors and that the low rate was made possible by the large revenues derived from the liquor-tax law and by the fact that assessed valuations had been raised throughout the State.

Resolutions were adopted providing for investigations of the expenditures of the State departments, of the necessity for the purchase of additional lands for the forest preserve, and for the protection of the headwaters of the Hudson River, of the best means for the employment of convicts, and of the workings of the new Government of New York City.

The session closed with the customary congratulatory speeches and presentation of gifts in both houses. Senator Guy, in addressing Senator Cantor, referred to a rumor that the minority leader in the Upper House had determined to retire from the Legislature, with which he had been connected for fifteen years. In his reply, Senator Cantor said that his service as a Senator of the State of New York was at an end.

BILLS PASSED.

Final Action on Various Measures in Senate and Assembly.

ALBANY, March 31.—The following bills were passed to-day by the Senate:

Mr. Perkins—Amending the Penal Code relating to larceny by false pretense.

Mr. Johnson—Appropriating $3,000 to investigate the causes of disease among cattle.

Mr. Otis—Amending the banking law in reference to loan association investments.

Mr. Gale—To provide for the maintenance of the Woodhaven Fire Department of the town of Jamaica, Borough of Queens.

Mr. Hill—Appropriating $30,000 for the improvement of the Erie Basin at Buffalo.

The following bills were passed by the Assembly:

Senator Cantor—Providing for the payment of expenses to E. J. H. Tamsen incurred in his defense of the charges brought against him.

Senator Page—Incorporating the Security Assurance Company.

Senator Ford—Providing for a change of motive power in the operation of certain railroads near public parks in New York City.

BILLS SIGNED.

Gov. Black Approves the Charter for Second-Class Cities.

ALBANY, March 31.—Gov. Black to-day signed the following bills:

Senator White—Providing a uniform charter for cities of the second class.

Senator Burns—Authorizing the expenditure of $30,000 for improvements to Sing Sing Prison.

Senator Brush—Providing that in cities of the first class, when a position held by a veteran is abolished, he shall not be discharged, but shall be transferred to another position.

Senator Nussbaum—Authorizing the Court of Claims to determine the claim of Wynkoop, Hallenbeck, Crawford & Co., State printers, against the State for work performed in connection with its legislative printing contract in 1896 and 1897.

Senate Finance Committee—Amending the legislative law relative to the form of proposals for legislative printing by abolishing the unbalanced bid.

Senator Coggeshall—Appropriating $50,000 for the promotion of sugar beet culture.

Mr. Hill—Amending the banking law relative to the incorporation of building and lot associations.

Mr. Matteson—Amending the agricultural law relative to the purity of maple sugar and syrup.

Mr. Eldridge—Amending the Village act relative to the appointment of Assessors.

Mr. Kelsey—Appropriating $158,000 for the Craig Colony for Epileptics.

Assembly Judiciary Committee—Including as misdemeanors violations of the primary election law, embracing attempts to enroll as a member of a party when the person making the attempt has not legal right to do so.

Mr. Trainor—For the relief of Amy B. Conklin of New York City.

Senator Ellsworth—Appropriating $500,000 for the purchase of lands in the Adirondacks by the Forest Preserve Board.

Senator Lexow—Amending the act providing for the purchase of the site of the battle of Stony Point, in Rockland County.

Also—Amending the act incorporating the International Bond and Debenture Company.

Senator Guy—Confirming the acts of the Trustees of the Congregation Hand in Hand, Mott Haven.

Also—Permitting the filing of amended claims relative to damages caused by change of street grades in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, New York City.

Mr. Nixon—Appropriating $450,000 to pay the contractors for the completion of the Capitol.

Mr. Post—Appropriating $10,000 for deepening the channel between Shinnecock and Great South Bays, Suffolk County.

Mr. Bondy—Amending the act incorporating the Pedlo Society of the State of New York.

Mr. Tripp—Amending the charter of Poughkeepsie.

CIVIL SERVICE AMENDMENTS.

Bill Favored by the Reform Association Affecting Municipalities Becomes a Law.

ALBANY, March 31.—A material victory was won for the cause of civil service reform in the closing hours of the legislative session to-day by the passage of the Reform Association's bill, introduced by Senator Brush and amended by the Judiciary Committee of the Senate. Gov. Black gave the measure his approval before it was introduced, and it became law by his signature this afternoon.

The act amends Section 8 of the civil service law of 1883 by inserting a provision that "the Mayor of each city in this State shall appoint and employ suitable persons as examiners, assess, and enforce regulations [illegible] service of such city, and for conducting such examinations therein, and for the registration and selection of laborers for employment therein, not inconsistent with the Constitution and the provisions of this act."

The same section is further amended so as to require that the regulations therein prescribed and established, and all regulations now existing for appointment and promotion in the civil service of said city, and any subsequent modification thereof, "shall take effect only upon the approval of the Mayor of the city and of the New York Civil Service Commission."

What the authors of the measure regard as the most important feature is the amendment it makes to Section 13 of the Act of 1883, providing that "if a person holding a position subject to competitive examination in the civil service of the State or of a city shall be removed or reduced the reasons therefor shall be stated in writing, and filed with the head of the department or other appointing officer, and the person so removed or reduced shall have an opportunity to make an explanation."

"The hostility of Tammany to any step looking to making the civil service regulations more rigid was shown in the debate on the bill, when it came up in the Assembly to-day. Mr. Donnelly argued against it at length on behalf of the Democratic administration in New York City. The departments there had just gotten to work under the law as it stands, he said, and this bill would cause trouble and delay by reviving the old law. Mr. Finn denounced the bill as another attempt to carry out the agreement the Republicans had made with the Low men in order to get them back into the party. Mr. Green said it was a political measure purely, introduced for the benefit of the New York reformers, and designed to take away from the Democrats what belonged to them. Mr. Oliver accused the majority of inconsistency in enacting the so-called "starchless" law last year, and now seeking to re-enact the old law in order to conciliate the independents.

Mr. Seligsberg, the Citizens' Union member from the Twenty-ninth New York District, spoke for the bill. "I am a believer," he said, "in genuine civil service reform. The course of the Republican Party in taking a step backward last year by the enactment of the starchless civil service law was regretted by every real friend of reform. I am glad to see that the Republican Party this year is going to take a step forward again."

The bill was passed by a vote of 80 yeas to 67 nays.

Secretary George McAneny of the Civil Service Reform Association said: "We regard the passage of this bill as a considerable step forward. It is not all that we wanted, but it is something. The bill as introduced contained a clause practically nullifying the Black law of last year. The Governor, while in sympathy with the other purposes of the measure, was not prepared to go with us that far, however, and that provision was stricken out by the Judiciary Committee."

Mr. McAneny said that, on the whole, the cause of civil service reform had fared reasonably well at the hands of the expiring Legislature. It had made but one assault on the civil service, he said, and that was the passage of a bill legalising certain appointments made by the Fire Department of Brooklyn, and even that, he had reason to believe, might be vetoed by the Governor.

ITS CAPITAL IMPAIRED.

Report of the Insurance Department's Investigation of the Lincoln Fire Company.

ALBANY, March 31.—Superintendent of Insurance Payn to-day gave a hearing on the report of an examination made by his department of the condition and affairs of the Lincoln Fire Insurance Company of New York as of Feb. 28, 1898, which report bears the date March 25. The company was represented by counsel, and after the hearing the Superintendent filed the report. He then served a requisition on the company's representative requiring it to make good an impairment of $225,841.35 on or before April 30. This represents an impairment in excess of its capital of $200,000, or an impairment of 127 per cent. Chief Examiner Vanderpoel of the Insurance Department, who made the examination of the company on which Superintendent Payn based his decision, closes his report of the examination as follows:

"As a result of my examination, I beg to report that in my opinion the unearned premium fund, as returned in the company's annual statement for 1897, was returned at a figure considerably less than the sum required by law. That the statement of the company as sworn to by its officers was false, by reason of the fact that the $112,750 of United States bonds reported as the property of the company on Dec. 31, 1897, were not purchased by it until Jan. 25, 1898, and that the item appearing in said statement as having been paid for "organization expenses, $19,550," was not such an expense. It never existed until subsequent to Dec. 31, 1897, and merely represented the difference between what was attempted to be collected from certain stockholders ($112,050) and the $92,500 which was collected and deposited to the credit of the company between Jan. 19 and 27, 1898, the only expense of organization paid being the $2,300 item included in a check of $200,374.37, and being 1 per cent. of the $230,000 credited to the company on the books of the North American Trust Company at the time the examination was had, as required, upon the incorporation of the Lincoln.

"I am further of the opinion, as the result of the examination just concluded, that grave doubt surrounds the correctness of the affidavit made by those who executed it and certifying to the fact that "the said company is not, nor are any of its officers, in any way, manner, or form, pledged or committed to make any investment, loan, or disposition of the said capital or surplus or any part or portion thereof, which is not in strict conformity in all respects with the provisions of said insurance law of the State of New York, passed May 18, 1892, (Chapter 690, Laws of 1892,) and the amendments thereto subsequently passed."

The examination of the Lincoln was made at the request of the present management, a change having been effected in the latter part of January. The annual statement of the company which Examiner Vanderpoel has criticised in his report was prepared and filed as of Jan. 1. Since the recent change in management there have been outside influences which have been directed at the company, with a view to possible control, and these influences have tended to complicate the internal difficulties. E. E. Carley, the General Manager of the company, declined last night to say anything in regard to the report, referring all questions to Simon H. Stern, of Stern & Rushmore, the counsel of the company. Mr. Stern could not be found last night. The Lincoln Fire Insurance Company was licensed by Superintendent Payn in October, 1897, to begin underwriting with a capital of $200,000 and a surplus of $30,000.

Grade Crossing Appropriation.

ALBANY, March 31.—Among the most important measures passed by the Assembly in its closing hours to-day was the bill appropriating $100,000 to carry out the grade-crossing act of last year. The bill was opposed by Mr. Perkins of Monroe, who contended that it was none of the State's business to help the railroads make their crossings safe, and warned the Legislature that it was entering upon an enterprise which would involve the State in a vast and continuing expenditure. The bill looks to the expenditure of $400,000 on grade crossings during the year, as one-fourth of the expense in each case is borne by the State.

Richmond County Excise Deputy.

ALBANY, March 31.—George L. Nichol of West New Brighton was appointed to-day Special Deputy Commissioner of Excise for the Borough of Richmond, under the authority of an act signed yesterday by Gov. Black.

SHIPPING AND THE MAILS.

Miniature Almanac This Day.

	A. M.	P. M.		A. M.
Sun rises	5:43	Sun sets	6:25	Moon sets	2:58

High Water This Day.

	A. M.		A. M.		A. M.
S. Hook	2:32	Gov. Isl'd	3:00	H. Gate	4:56
	P. M.		P. M.		P. M.
S. Hook	3:22	Gov. Isl'd	3:42	H. Gate	5:30

Outgoing Steamships.

TO-DAY, (FRIDAY,) APRIL 1.

	Mails Close.	Vessels Sail.
Ardanrose, Jamaica	9:00 A. M.	11:00 A. M.
Benedict, Para	1:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.
Rio Grande, Brunswick	.....	3:00 P. M.

SATURDAY, APRIL 2.

Altai, Fortune Island, &c.	10:00 A. M. *10:30 A. M.	12:00 M.
Colorado, Hull	.....	.....
Comal, Galveston	.....	3:00 P. M.

CASTORIA.
Fac-simile Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. 35 DOSES

Iroquois, Charleston	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.
Comal, Galveston	11:30 A. M.	1:30 P. M.
Lampasas, New Orleans	.....	3:00 P. M.
Lancaster, St. Thomas, &c.	9:00 A. M.	12:00 M.
Alene, Jacksonville	*10:00 A. M.	.....
Massachusetts, London	.....	3:00 P. M.
Seminole, Charleston	.....	3:00 P. M.
Trinidad, Bermuda	9:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.
Umbria, Queenstown and Liverpool	7:00 A. M.	10:30 A. M.
Victoria, London	.....	3:00 P. M.
Werkendam, Rotterdam	9:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.
Yucatan, Havana and Mexican ports	10:30 A. M.	1:00 P. M.

MONDAY, APRIL 4.

Iroquois, Charleston	.....	3:00 P. M.

"SUPPLEMENTARY MAILS.—Additional supplementary mails are opened on the piers of the American, English, French, and German steamers, and remain open until within ten minutes of the hour of sailing.

Incoming Steamships.

TO-DAY, (FRIDAY,) APRIL 1.

Advance, Colon, March 26.
Bratten, Hull, March 15.
Buffon, St. Lucia, March 24.
California, Gibraltar, March 14.
Glenisle, Gibraltar, March 15.
Lucania, Liverpool, March 26.
Niagara, Nassau, March 28.
Olivedene, Grenada, March 20.
Pocasset, Gibraltar, March 17.
Port Adelaide, Gibraltar, March 18.
Sardinian, Glasgow, March 19.
Strathlyon, Shields, March 16.
Tallahassee, Savannah, May 29.
Titania, Dundee, March 15.
Trinidad, Bermuda, March 30.
Viga, Fayal, March 20.
Virginian, London, March 26.

SATURDAY, APRIL 2.

Iroquois, Jacksonville, March 30.
Kansas City, Savannah, March 30.
St. Louis, Southampton, March 26.

SUNDAY, APRIL 3.

America, London, March 22.
Chiden, Shields, March 19.
Hampstead, St. Lucia, March 26.
La Bretagne, Havre, March 26.
Martello, Hull, March 20.
Nordic, St. Lucia, March 24.
Rotterdam, Rotterdam, March 24.

MONDAY, APRIL 4.

Betty, Gibraltar, March 21.
Chicago City, Swansea, March 23.
City of Washington, Havana, March 31.
Creole, New Orleans, March 30.
Cymric, Liverpool, March 25.
Excelsior, New Orleans, March 29.
Lucerna, Liverpool, March 21.
Massapequa, Swansea, March 23.
Tartar Prince, Gibraltar, March 21.

TUESDAY, APRIL 5.

Friesland, Antwerp, March 26.
Furnessia, Glasgow, March 25.
Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, Bremen, March 29.
Manitoba, London, March 26.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6.

Lampasas, Havana, April 2.
Leona, Galveston, March 30.
Stv. Hamburg, March 23.

Arrived—Thursday, March 31.

SS Seminole, Bearse, Jacksonville March 28 and Charleston 29, with mdse. and passengers to W. P. Clyde & Co.

SS Guyandotte, Davis, Norfolk and Newport News, with mdse. and passengers to Old Dominion Steamship Co.

SS Dona Maria, (Port.,) Jansen, Oporto, &c., March 14, with mdse. and passengers to Hagemeyer & Brun. Arrived at the Bar at 9 A. M.

SS Roman Prince, (Br.,) Curtis, Santos, &c., March 8, with mdse. and passengers to J. C. Seager. Arrived at the Bar at 5 A. M.

SS Havel, (Ger.,) Christoffers, Bremen, &c., March 22, with mdse. and passengers to Oelrichs & Co. Arrived at the Bar at 2:32 A. M.

SS Palatia, (Ger.,) Karlowa, Hamburg March 19, with mdse. and passengers to Hamburg-American Line. Arrived at the Bar at 1:20 A. M.

SS Jersey City, (Br.,) Lewis, Bristol March 18 and Swansea 19th, with mdse. to James Arkell & Co. Arrived at the Bar at 2 A. M.

SS Burgermeister Petersen, (Ger.,) Kelterer, Roterdam March 15, in ballast to Gustavus Heye. Arrived at the Bar at 1 A. M.

SS City of Macon, (Br.,) Boston March 30, to Ocean Steamship Co. Is bound to Savannah.

SS Remus, (Ger.,) Schwauer, London March 11 and West Hartlepool 15th, with chalk to Barber & Co. Arrived at the Bar at noon.

SS Cherokee, Garvin, Jax., &c., March 17, with mdse. and passengers to W. P. Clyde & Co. Arrived at the Bar at 6:20 P. M.

SS Taormina, Ger.,) Mollert, Hamburg March 16, with mdse. and passengers to Funch, Edye & Co. Arrived at the Bar at 8:30 P. M.

WIND—Sandy Hook, N. J., March 31, 9:30 P. M., northwest, fresh breeze, clear.

Sailed.

SS Christine, (Dan.,) for Aarhuus.
SS State of Nebraska, (Br.,) for Glasgow.
SS Bremen, (Ger.,) for Bremen, &c.
SS Oscar II., (Nor.,) for Philadelphia.
SS Michigan, (Br.,) for London.
SS El Mar, for New Orleans.
SS Yorktown, for Norfolk and Newport News.
SS Algonquin, for Charleston, &c.
SS Benefactor, for Philadelphia.
SS Iberia, (Nor.,) for Cuba.
SS City of Macon, for Savannah.
SS Deutschland, (Ger.,) for Flushing.

Notice to Mariners.

MARTINS INDUSTRY LIGHT VESSEL—SOUTH CAROLINA.

Notice is hereby given that on or about April 25, 1898, Light Vessel No. 53, moored off Port Royal entrance, outside of Martins Industry Shoal, and about 15 miles to the eastward of Tybee Lighthouse, will be temporarily withdrawn from her station for repairs, and Relief Light Vessel No. 29 will be placed on the station.

Relief Light Vessel No. 29 will show two fixed white reflector lights, but during thick or foggy weather she will sound a bell struck by hand instead of a 12-inch steam whistle. The vessel has two masts, schooner rigged, but differs from Light Vessel No. 53 in having a white hull with "Relief" in black on each side, and "No. 29" in black on each quarter, and in not having a smokestack between the masts.

This notice affects the "List of Lights and Fog Signals, Atlantic and Gulf Coasts, 1897," Page 122, No. 675, and the "List of Beacons and Buoys, Sixth Lighthouse District, 1898," Page 26.

BRIDGEPORT BREAKWATER LIGHT STATION—CONNECTICUT.

Notice is hereby given by the Lighthouse Board that until further notice the gong struck by electric machinery, during thick or foggy weather, at this station, on the easterly end of the inner breakwater, making off from Tongue Point, westerly side of the entrance to Bridgeport Harbor, will be discontinued.

E. H. E. Notices to Mariners No. 136 and 146 of 1897, and Bulletin No. 75, part 2.

This notice affects the "List of Lights and Fog Signals, Atlantic and Gulf Coasts, 1897," Page 60, No. 287, and the "List of Beacons and Buoys, Third Lighthouse District, 1897," Page 76.

Miscellaneous.

SS Jersey City, which arr. here yesterday, reports: March 24, in lat. 45, lon. 48.47, passed a partially submerged wreck; appeared to be the stern of a small vessel which evidently had been cut in two, bottom painted green, top white.

By Cable.

LONDON, March 31.—SS Lahn, (Ger.,) Capt. Pohle, from New York via Plymouth, arr. at Bremen to-day.

SS Bolivia, (Br.,) Capt. Baxter, from Naples for New York, arr. at Palermo yesterday.

SS Majestic, (Br.,) Capt. Smith, from New York, arr. at Liverpool yesterday.

SS Corean, (Br.,) Capt. Stewart, from New York, arr. at Glasgow to-day.

SS Marsh, (Br.,) Hitcham, sld. from Girgenti for New York March 29.

SS Scotia, (Ger.,) Capt. Schmidt, from New York for Hamburg, passed the Isle of Wight to-day.

SS Thingvalla, (Dan.,) Capt. Laub, from New York via Christiansand and Copenhagen, arr. at Stettin March 29.

SS Fluminense, (Br.,) Capt. Harvey, from New York, arr. at Para March 29.

SS Capua, (Ger.,) Capt. Hansen, sld. from Rio Janeiro for New York March 26.

SS Hispania, (Ger.,) Capt. Prehn, sld. from Stettin for New York March 28.

SS Mannheim, (Ger.,) Capt. Ockelman, sld. from Bremen for New York March 29.

SS Neustria, (Fr.,) Capt. Sagols, sld. from Marseilles for New York March 29.

SS Laughton, (Br.,) Capt. Hodgson, sld. from Dunkirk for New York yesterday.

SS Minnewaska, (Br.,) Capt. Griffiths, sld. from London for New York to-day.

SS New York, Capt. Passow, from New York, arr. at Southampton to-day.

SS Mississippi, (Br.,) Capt. Goudie, from New York, arr. at London yesterday.

SS Winifreda, (Br.,) Capt. Muir, from New York, arr. at London to-day.

SS Alexandra, (Br.,) Capt. Marshall, sld. from London for New York yesterday.

SS Liv, (Nor.,) Capt. Hansen, sld. from West Hartlepool for New York yesterday.

SS Mohawk, (Br.,) Capt. Cannons, from New York for London, passed the Lizard to-day.

SS Phoenicia, (Ger.,) Capt. Leithauser, from New York for Hamburg, passed the Lizard to-day.

SS Spaarndam, (Dutch,) Capt. Van der Zee, from New York for Rotterdam, passed the Lizard to-day.

SS Cuvier, (Br.,) Capt. Quinlan, from New York, arr. at Manchester yesterday.

SS Croma, (Br.,) Capt. Tindale, sld. from Dundee for New York to-day.

SS Britannic, (Br.,) Capt. Haddock, (from Liverpool,) sld. from Queenstown for New York to-day.

SS Saale, (Ger.,) Capt. Blanke, sld. from Genoa for New York via Naples at 10 A. M. to-day.

SS Normannia, (Ger.,) Capt. Barends, from New York for Hamburg, passed the Lizard at 4:45 P. M. to-day.

SS Llanthony Abbey, (Br.,) Capt. Townsend, from New York for Cork, arr. at Fayal to-day.

SS Obdam, (Dutch,) Capt. Roggeveen, sld. from Rotterdam for New York at 5 P. M. to-day.

SS Karamania, (Br.,) Capt. Craig, from New York for Marseilles, Genoa, Leghorn, &c., passed Gibraltar to-day.

CHOCTAW PASS CHANNEL RANGE REAR BEACON LIGHT—ALABAMA.

Notice is hereby given by the Lighthouse Board that on March 21, 1898, the fixed white lantern light was re-established on the red pyramidal structure on the easterly prolongation of the axis of Choctaw Pass Channel, Mobile Bay, and with Light No. 20 marks a range line for running the lower section of Choctaw Pass Channel.

This notice affects the "List of Lights and Fog Signals, Atlantic and Gulf Coasts, 1897," Page 154, No. 900, and the "List of Beacons and Buoys, Eighth Lighthouse District, 1898," Page 10.

PLUM BEACH SHOAL BELL BUOY—NARRAGANSETT BAY—RHODE ISLAND.

Notice is hereby given that on March 23, 1898, a bell buoy, painted black, was established to mark Plum Beach Shoal, westerly side of the channel through the Western Passage of Narragansett Bay. The buoy is located about 600 feet SSE. from Plum Beach Lighthouse (building).

PLUM BEACH LIGHT STATION.

Notice is hereby given that until further notice the sounding of the fog bell at this station, on the northerly edge of Plum Beach Shoal, westerly side of the channel through the Western Passage of Naragansett Bay, will be discontinued.

This notice affects the

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IRVING PLACE—Taming of the Shrew—8:15.
KEITH'S UNION SQUARE—Vaudeville—12 M. to 11 P. M.
KNICKERBOCKER—A Virginia Courtship—8:30.
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MADISON SQUARE GARDEN—Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show—2:00 and 8:00.
MANHATTAN—Way Down East—8:15.
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THE END AND THE MEANS.

Amid the varied discussion of the Cuban question at home and abroad there is one fact that may be taken as beyond dispute—the Spanish Government must retire from Cuba.

On this the people of the United States have come to a conclusion, and the strength of their conviction and their feeling can neither be denied nor ignored. The policy of the Government will sooner or later, in one or another form, embody this conclusion. Congress is only restrained from declaring it by the feeling that it is the province of the Executive at the present juncture to deal with it. The press of all parties and of all sections, with rare and unimportant exceptions, is agreed. The opinion expressed everywhere and by all classes is the same.

The conclusion has not been reached thoughtlessly or through passion. It is based primarily on long experience of the perpetual menace, the intolerable nuisance, which Spanish rule in Cuba constitutes. The country has made up its mind that the trouble it has endured can be ended in only one way, and that it should be ended now. Our people do not care to face its continuance, or to undertake a compromise that will only renew and perpetuate it. They are entirely ready to meet any sacrifice necessary to bring it to a close, and will count such sacrifice as only a payment down, in a fixed amount, to settle an account that would otherwise hang on indefinitely and bring incalculable loss and disturbance. This determination was made inevitable by the destruction of the Maine. Without that the public mind might have remained, not patient certainly, but without a precise and practical conclusion. But that horror has revealed to all of us with a force that none can resist the real nature of the situation in Cuba, the elements that have created it, and the utter hopelessness of any solution other than the withdrawal of Spain.

There is evidently among the Governments of Europe a strong desire that war between this country and Spain shall be avoided. It is a desire both natural and humane. Such a conflict would be a serious disturbance to European interests, commercial and political. It would be the first instance since the United States became a power of the first class of any collision between it and a European power, and though Spain is a weak nation, with less intimate connections than others have with the great Powers, though it is geographically and politically in a state of partial isolation, Europe, with its millions of men under arms, does not wish to see the terrible game begun in even a small way. Apart from the influence of direct and material interest, the statesmen of Europe have a sincere dislike of the crudity and, much as even a generation ago

...ould find no ...States in the ...exercise of this ...but they should make no mistake as to the quarter in which it must be exercised or the ends to which it must be directed. Anything that they can do to induce Spain voluntarily to withdraw from Cuba will tend toward peace. Their efforts may properly include suggestions as to the terms and conditions which will make the acceptance of the inevitable more easy for Spain, and such suggestions will be considered by the United States in a candid and friendly spirit. It is probable also that any reasonable time will be allowed for the arrangement of such terms provided that the withdrawal of Spain is so firmly guaranteed as to leave no doubt that it will take place. Such an adjustment is eminently a subject matter for the exercise of what are known as friendly offices, since it is often possible for a Government to do on the suggestion of other and very powerful Governments what it could do only with great difficulty or not at all of its own motion. But any attempt on the part of foreign Governments to secure a settlement without the withdrawal of Spain would be not only futile but mischievous.

THE RIGHT OF SELF-PROTECTION.

All the writers who insist that we have no lawful ground for intervention in Cuba hold the curiously narrow view that the peace and safety of a nation can be threatened only by the assault of armed foes. External menace is the only menace, invasion by foreign legions the only calamity that can disturb domestic tranquillity. It never occurs to them, apparently, that a nation's peace may be disturbed by excitement, passion, and tumult among its own people to a degree which makes the removal of the provoking cause an imperative measure of self-preservation; nor do they admit that a peril which threatens any disaster short of the utter annihilation of a people is a menace to their safety.

Prof. E. J. PHELPS, to whose argument against intervention we have already given some attention, shuts his mind to all conceptions of danger from Spain's doings in Cuba save only that of actual war declared by her against the United States. How easy it is to argue intervention out of court by such a plea as this:

"Let us inquire upon what grounds it is claimed that we ought to intervene in the affairs of Spain in the island of Cuba, and precisely what will "intervention" turn out to mean.

"Spain is a friendly nation, and always has been. The most industrious agitator for war has been unable to hunt up in any history, since under Spanish auspices this country was first opened to us by COLUMBUS, any cause of quarrel between us. She has not attacked us, is not proposing to attack us, and is virtually incapable of it. She has manifested every desire and made every effort to avoid hostilities, which, to her, as she well knows, must be calamitous."

The triumphant demolition of this man of straw will satisfy everybody who sees no peril in the Cuban hell upon earth save that of Spain's determining to "attack us." If she does not attempt to whip us as well as the insurgents then we can have no lawful cause for intervention because our peace and safety will be in no way threatened.

We can imagine a hermit in his cave holding that view. But if the President and Congress should announce that they also had adopted the hermit's view and would drop the Maine affair and the whole Cuban question as being none of our business, the mighty uprising of the American people against their policy of non-intervention would create a tumult the noise of which would penetrate the hermit's retreat. It might even compel Prof. PHELPS to add irrepressible popular excitement to the list of dangers that may threaten a nation's peace and safety, and the maintenance by a foreign nation, after repeated protests, of conditions of disorder and barbarism which cause the excitement and inflame it to the grounds of lawful intervention. The blowing up of the Maine by a Spanish mine in a Spanish harbor was a direct consequence of the conditions of which we complain. Devastation and the hideous atrocities of Weylerism are the deliberately adopted Spanish plan of campaign in Cuba. These things have roused the American people as they have not been roused for a generation. The tide of their strong and just resentment is at the point of overflow, held in check only by the people's confidence that the men at Washington will execute their will in Cuba in peace or by force, but to the full deliverance of the Cubans from Spanish rule.

If Prof. PHELPS were President and had the temerity to attempt to rebuke the public wrath or to cheat it of its object, he would, amid the wreck and ruin of his Administration, perhaps find time, certainly he would find occasion, to revise his views of the lawfulness of intervention to avert grave, imminent, and manifest danger from internal tumult.

We will not further tolerate Spanish misrule in Cuba because in present conditions we cannot without endangering our own peace and safety. The danger constitutes a complete lawful ground for intervention, and it is immensely strengthened by the fact that on grounds of humanity alone, which are not lawful grounds, our intervention in Cuba would be justified by our own conscience and the enlightened opinion of mankind.

There is perhaps no part of Prof. PHELPS's letter or opinion which is more vicious in its reasoning than that passage in which he compares the present situation in Cuba with our civil war:

"What would have been the sentiments of our people if, when struggling in the throes of that great war, Spain, on the pretense of the inconvenience of her commerce with the United States when the blockade of the Southern ports created, and of humanity for the suffering caused by the war, had thought proper to interfere by force? She had as much commerce with us as she has now with Cuba. She had a ...

...duty, throughout every nation which wants no fighting to interfere by force and compel the United States Government to withdraw its jurisdiction from the Southern States.

"Yet it does not seem to be perceived that the same principles of international law apply to us in the present case that would have made such an intervention on the part of Spain a crime, an invasion, and a gross insult, which we must have repelled and avenged at any cost and any hardship, or have ceased to be regarded among nations as a country which respected itself or was entitled to respect from others."

In the practice of his profession—or shall we call it his art?—Prof. PHELPS might address that argument to a low-grade jury, but he would never dare to try such a trick upon the experienced minds of the bench. Our civil war was well-nigh everything that the Spanish attempt to put down the insurgents is not. It was conducted under the rules of civilized warfare. It was no aimless and purposeless strife, but from its beginning to its close without intermission it was fought with stern determination to a certain end. Its Generals on both sides were able and they were honest and humane. The fortunes of war may have shifted from time to time, but nobody could say that the great combat ever for a moment degenerated into a mere impotent and ineffective harassing of either side by the other. There was no Weyler in our war, there were no reconcentrados—for the stern measures of SHERMAN in the march to the sea and of SHERIDAN in the Shenandoah Valley, to which Prof. PHELPS refers in justification of Weylerism, were as a spanking to burning at the stake compared to the horrors that Senator PROCTOR saw in Cuba. Beyond all that, Mason and Dixon's line at its nearest extremity was 3,000 miles distant from Spain, while Cuba lies at our doors. Did Prof. PHELPS ever hear that our civil war kept her Most Catholic Majesty up nights, or stirred her tender-hearted and generous subjects to tears and sympathy?

We are not informed whether E. J. PHELPS, Lecturer on International Law in the Department of Law, Yale University, and THEODORE S. WOOLSEY, Professor of International Law, have concurrent jurisdiction of that topic, or if the appeal lies from the younger to the elder jurist. But we invite the attention of the Yale corporation to the conflict of authority which is now raging in their teaching body as exhibited in the following deliverances:

Prof. E. J. PHELPS in The Herald.

"It must be conceded, then, and except by interested newspapers is conceded, that we are under no necessity of self-defense against Spain in any definition of the word, nor have we any right to vindicate or wrong to redress that entitles us to interpose by arms in support of the Cuban rebellion."

Prof. T. S. WOOLSEY in The Independent.

"There are three justifying reasons, then, for intervention—for the attempt, by National action, to heal this open sore; the burden of neutrality, the dictates of our commercial interests, the call of humanity. * * * I repeat the opinion that some form of intervention by our Government is near at hand, and would be justifiable."

THE ACTION OF NEW YORK.

The appropriation of $1,000,000 by the Legislature of the State of New York to meet any necessary requirements if the military force of the State shall be called upon by the Federal Government is a wise and timely measure.

We have had a long period of complete peace, but the people of the State have not been unmindful during that period of the immense value of preparation should an emergency require prompt action. The policy of the Nation has been now for more than a generation to maintain a very small regular army and to rely upon the militia of the several States in case of sudden need. Our own conviction has long been that the regular army is very much too small, and that the system under which the military force of the States is organized is seriously defective. In New York, happily, the defects, though obvious, have been less serious than in most cases, and we have a force of real value should need for it arise. The money voted yesterday will simply enable the Government to make immediate use of the resources that have been supplied, and, so far as time allows, to develop and increase them.

MARIA CHRISTINA.

All Americans who have read it must have been touched by the personal appeal which the Queen Regent of Spain has made to several of the sovereigns of Europe to intercede for her at Washington. No American, we may be sure, has read it with more complete sympathy and appreciation than the President of the United States.

The life of MARIA CHRISTINA cannot have been happy. She entered upon public cares on her wedding day, now almost twenty years ago. During her widowhood of twelve years the whole responsibility of sovereignty, as yet more substantial in Spain than in more modern countries, has devolved upon her, and her public cares have thickened and multiplied. At home the discontent of poverty has found expression in an anarchism even more fierce and cruel than the manifestations of the like spirit in other countries, for there has been less of the spirit of bravado in it and more of bitter hatred of the human race. On her horizon has loomed, from time to time, the spectre of a rivalry for the succession and the spectre of a republic, which in Spain could only be as the old republican leaders have clearly seen, an organized anarchy. Abroad, the clutch that Spain held upon her remaining possessions has been steadily relaxing. Rebellion in Cuba and rebellion in the Philippines have threatened what was left of her colonial empire. Her efforts to retain them have been far beyond her strength, and her sacrifices have been nullified not only by the determined resistance of her estranged subjects, but by the depredations of her own thievish Viceroys and ...

...Spanish newspapers can hardly be suspected of efforts at humor in their denunciations of Americans, and, therefore, though many of their charges against us are extremely ludicrous, it can be taken for granted that they are all made in deadly earnest. More than a smile, therefore, is deserved by the appearance in La Union Constitucional of Havana of the statements that the inhabitants of this country are "a people who have come into possession of an extensive territory through extermination of the aborigines," and that they "are industrious because of lack of charitable feeling, for all starve in the United States who become penniless." Just think of it—a Spaniard, and especially a Spaniard in Cuba, finding fault with the extermination of aborigines! He might be forgiven for not knowing that there are more Indians in the United States to-day than there were when the first English colony was founded here. That is a fact of which our own mourners over the red man's wrongs often have to be reminded, and it has naturally enough escaped the attention of a nation whose illiterates include about 60 per cent. of the population, but even if we had killed, yes, and eaten, every one of our aborigines, should we be reproached for it by descendents of those who slew the Caribs by the thousands, whose dealings with the Aztecs and the Incas form huge red smears on the pages of history? Then, as to our lack of "charitable feeling." The Havana editor is proud, evidently, that in Spain the streets are full of professional beggars, for he sneers at a country where philanthropy finds other means of expression than the distribution of alms. Well, his mediaeval attitude of mind is at least picturesque, and if he were only in a museum, dated 1500 A. D., he would be a most interesting subject of study.

PERSONAL.

—Undisturbed by the instant chorus of contradiction that answered his recent tirade about England's hostility to America, MICHAEL DAVITT repeats and emphasizes his assertions in a long letter to The London Chronicle. "The present expressions of friendliness toward the States," he declares, "are hypocritical and insincere on the part of English papers, with one or two honorable exceptions. To prove my contention I must ask you to recollect the language of the same organs three years ago, when England, and not Spain, was in dispute with the Republic. Was there friendliness in the tone and words of insult and menace of the ruling classes and their newspapers then?" And Mr. DAVITT proceeds to quote something like a dozen sentences from as many London papers, which have, it must be confessed, a tone hardly to be described as loving. "How do you reconcile," he continues, "these outspoken feelings of antagonism toward America a few months back, over a trivial incident, with the present mood of the same press on the Spanish-American situation? Your country has insult and threats and menace toward the Republic when a trumpery quarrel over seals threatens you with further arbitrations in a comparatively insignificant matter, and you put on the mask of friendliness when you hope to utilize the prestige of America's position among the nations against a power friendly to the United States in the Chinese imbroglio." To this The Chronicle replies that the phrases quoted by Mr. DAVITT, and the equally fierce ones that abound at times in the American papers, are "mere 'amantium irae,' the tiffs of lovers," and it challenges its correspondent to call a free and open meeting in any city or town in England, Scotland, or Wales in which half a dozen hands would be raised in behalf of a pro-Spanish resolution. "We state as a proposition beyond all doubt," adds The Chronicle, "that the sympathy of this country is unanimously in favor of America. We assert, and we have as many opportunities of testing British opinion as Mr. DAVITT, that the welfare and greatness of the American Republic are almost as dear to the people of this country as their own."

—Frenchmen have a chance to see themselves as others see them in a collection of caricatures just made and republished by JOHN GRAND-CARTERET, a Parisian, who began about fifteen years ago to save the political work of home and foreign artists, and who soon discovered that by duplicating them in a systematized form, with a running commentary, some exceedingly interesting and instructive side lights could be thrown upon current events. "Panama," "Boulangism," "The German Emperor," and "The Franco-Russian Alliance" are the best known of his compilations. The present volume is devoted to the Dreyfus case, and it gives startling proof of what a poor figure the so-called champions of French honor—MERCIER, GONSE, DU PATY DE CLAM, HENRY, the Judge DELEGORGUE, ESTERHAZY—make in the opinion of Europe. Practically every caricaturist in England, Germany, Italy, and even Russia turns the French idea of justice into more or less contemptuous ridicule, while FORAIN, CARAN D'ACHE, WILLETTE, LUQUE, TRIM, and the other Parisian artists all lend their able pencils to the service of the most narrow-minded Chauvinism.

TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

—Careful attention is deserved by the contribution to the discussion of "Christian Science" made by "A Lawyer" in a letter we gladly print to-day. He is a man whose name is well known to New Yorkers, and his views on this, as on other topics, carry weight. It will be noticed that he carefully refrains from admitting his belief in the doctrines of the "healers," and certainly that strange band will not claim him for one of themselves, since he speaks of their sacred book as "in the main a farrago of nonsense"; but he does come to their defense, and asserts that their practices cannot be restrained by the law. It seems to us that the arguments adduced by our correspondent in support of his position are more interesting than conclusive. He grants far too many of the "Christian Science" premises, and he neglects entirely the fact that regularly educated physicians can and do accomplish every day cures differing in no essential particulars from those which, as everybody knows, really are performed by the mystics. It seems to us, moreover, that he errs when implying that "unlearned persons" are more skillful in "mental therapeutics" than men who understand anatomy. Why is it that people so carefully avoid the golden mean? Because drugs will not cure all maladies is it necessary to assert that they have power over none? Because functional disturbances can be removed by suggestion, or "faith," if that word is insisted upon, does it follow that traumatism or microbic infection will yield to the same influence? And we dissent entirely from the view that attempts to prevent the spreading of contagion is interference with "the higher law of thought." The devotees of Mrs. MARY B. G. EDDY do not think; they believe. Now the beliefs of those "struggling in a half-educated way to express dimly grasped truths" are often very dangerous.

—A recently returned pilgrim to foreign lands brings the glad tidings that signs of revolt against the infamous "tip" system are beginning to appear in England, and that hopes of its ultimate abandonment there are justified. Already notices are posted in many of London's public buildings, including the Palace, prohibiting ...

...Chronicle, in the ...Spanish ...

...New York Times:*

...itself. It was remarked ...traveler who visited the South ...that every man he talked ...with was of the opinion that he himself would make a better President than Jefferson Davis. In the present crisis there seem to be men rising up on every side who could manage better than McKinley. I only hope that, should there be a war with Spain, the military authorities will take care that these men, after they are drafted, shall have a place in the front ranks. I often think now ...of a wise remark made by a little music teacher, who, as band leader, was bad enough of army life in Dixie. When a fire-eater who had been shot down while carrying the Confederate flag at Malvern Hill was making preparations, while still on crutches, to join a company of mounted infantry—locally known as a "critter company"—the musician thus remonstrated with him: "I would not go back to the war if I were you. It is very unpleasant: it is dangerous."

Being quite of this opinion, I would paraphrase the old Colonial sentiment and say, "Millions for defense and bacon, but not a cent for offensive warfare."

CLARA MARSHALL.

New York, March 31, 1898.

Delayed Western Mail Service.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

The latest ... York papers received in Cincinnati up to Sunday morning were those of Wednesday. ... between this city and New York are two ... railway lines, only one of which (the Baltimore and Ohio) was seriously damaged by flood during the week, and yet the bulk of the mail matter was delayed from one to three days, including newspapers started from New York long after every one of the four other lines were clear. The fact of serious washouts and their location is known promptly by the officials of the Post Office Department, the same as by the express companies, and why it continues sending matter over a line thus interrupted when other railways are open is beyond comprehension. To permit a city to be thus cut off (and it has occurred previously in the same manner) is, to say the least, an exhibition of lack of ability somewhere by postal officials to contend with difficulties, and should cause an immediate investigation at Washington.

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Cincinnati, Ohio, March 31, 1898.

An Appr...

To the Editor of The New York Times:

I wish to thank you ... editorial articles of THE TIMES on ... " in the issue of this date. They have the true ring. I hope some of our Congressmen in Washington read them and ponder on the sentiments expressed. I have all my life been reading another New York paper, but have recently subscribed to THE TIMES. I like its editorials.

... BENSON.

Charlottesville, Va., March 30, 1898.

The Headless State Department.

Washington Correspondence Evening Telegram.

The presence of John Sherman in the State Department has been the worst thing about our negotiations. Mr. Sherman is one of the greatest of living Americans, but he is mentally incapacitated for work. It was known that he was not fitted for the position when he was appointed. * * *

Mr. Sherman is never consulted about our diplomatic relations. He never sees the Cuban correspondence. He would probably not recognize Señor Polo y Bernabé if he met him.

NUGGETS.

False Appearances.

People are seldom what they seem to think you think they are.—Chicago News.

Rules the Home.

"What a delicate-looking child Mrs. Shortrack's third is!"

"Delicate? That's the child that bosses the whole family."—Chicago Record.

New Meaning.

Originally the curfew meant the putting out of lights. Nowadays when it catches its victim on the streets at a forbidden hour it signifies: Light out!—Philadelphia Times.

The Unexpected Happens.

"I notice," remarked the observant boarder, "that Congressmen have resigned in order to go home and organize regiments for the war with Spain."

"That is a singular thing for Congressmen to do," replied the cross-eyed boarder. "No one suspected that they would rather fight than talk."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

They Followed.

The leader of the First Brigade of Golf Fusileers recovered himself and waved his club.

"Fellow-golfers," he shouted, "the first hole is just within the Spanish lines. Follow me!"

In the ensuing rush the haughty Dons were swept from the field and the decisive battle of the war was won.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

BY LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE.

Isaac Bassett Choate in Boston Transcript.

Hello! over there on Cape Clear,
Of a lingo that's not a bit odd,
Right gladly your hailing we hear,
For we, too, are looking abroad
From this foreland first trod, in the sole
fear of God, by the Pilgrims on sandy
Cape Cod.

Yes, your hearing, that is O. K.,
For "Kinsman" 's the good Saxon word;
You have caught on the message to-day,
It's plain, honest language have heard;
By the home-spoken word of the hearth
and the board the heart of a nation
is stirred.

Your answer comes hearty and bluff
In tones which our ancestors knew,
Though as sea breezes these may be gruff,
We are certain the feeling is true.
To your friendly "Hallo!" we send over
to you this toast, "The Old and the
New."

Hurrah for the Union Jack,
The shamrock, thistle, and rose!
How your "God-speed!" is answered back
The deck of the Trenton knows;
And everyone knows, in a world full of
woes, how much better are friends
than are foes.

Yes, Jonathan 's ready, he 's wide awake—
Let hands of kindred unite,
He 'll step to the front for Liberty's sake,
And he 'll stand in the front for the
right;
But he 'll first see he 's right before he
will fight, by advice of Crockett so
trite.

Your message is answered from over the
main
In a spirit of friendship as true,
And we send you a greeting as honest and
plain
As ever a sea trumpet blew;
To your friendly "Hallo!" here 's a
bumper for you—to England the Old
and the New!

MARY ARDEN CLUB LUNCHEON.

Mrs. Lillie Devereux Blake Talks Against War and the Club Joins the State Federation.

The Mary Arden Club, an organization of women who named themselves after the mother of Shakespeare, the poet whose works they make it their business to study, held a luncheon at the Murray Hill Hotel yesterday at 1 o'clock. The large round table at which they gathered bore a big circular mirror, representing a pond, which was hedged about with greens. Miniature swans swam on its surface.

Mrs. Anna Randall-Diehl, the President, acted as toastmistress. The club formally joined the State Federation of Women's Clubs, and the President of the Federation, Mrs. William Tod Helmuth, who was a guest at the luncheon, made a pleasant speech of welcome.

Mrs. Lillie Devereux Blake made an address after luncheon, in which she opposed the idea of war with Spain. Peace, she said, was honorable and war was dishonorable. Mrs. Blake specially commended the attitude of the Spanish Queen and her efforts to secure peace. Mme. Katherine Evans von Klenner, the soprano, sang several Shakespeare solos, including "Hark, Hark the Lark!" Parker; "A Fairy Lullaby," and "O, Mistress Mine," Beach, and "Who Is Sylvia?"

Miss Anna Maxwell Jones spoke in praise of President McKinley and his efforts to avert war, and the club drank the President's health—with water. Miss Nellie L. Howes recited "A Modern Ophelia's Soliloquy," Mrs. Brodnax recited "A Darky Courtship," by her husband, Dr. Robert Brodnax, and Miss Florence McFarland played piano selections. The programme also included Mrs. Miriam M. Greeley's talk on "After Dinner Speeches and Good Cheer in Shakespeare," and a paper on "Ballads and Songs of Shakespeare," by Mme. von Klenner.

The Mary Arden Club was founded in 1895. Mrs. Lucia C. Balcom is President. Mrs. Cutler and Mrs. John Vincent Donahue were the committee for yesterday's luncheon.

WOMAN'S MEDICAL COLLEGE.

A Reception in the New Building in East Fifteenth Street.

A reception was held from 3 to 6 P. M. yesterday in the new building of the Woman's Medical College of the New York Infirmary for Women and Children, 321 East Fifteenth Street. A tea was held in the infirmary adjoining, 5 Livingston Place.

The Trustees, who include Mrs. Robert Hoe, Jr., Mrs. Henry Villard, Robert Olyphant, James W. Pinchot, L. C. Tiffany, Mrs. John Claflin, and Miss Louisa Pierpont Morgan, practically all attended.

The building, which is of seven stories, includes a basement containing eight clinic rooms. The first floor is given mainly to reception rooms. There is a well-equipped chemical laboratory, at which forty students can work at once, on the floor above, and the histological and pathological libraries, all with new equipments, are on the third floor. The amphitheatre, in which clinics and minor operations take place, extends from the fourth to the fifth floor, and seats about 150 students. The dissecting rooms for the younger students are on the sixth floor. The fifth floor contains a library. The building is well fitted and furnished throughout, and is steam heated.

Brinckerhoff—Clary.

A pretty wedding was celebrated in Jamaica, L. I., last night, when Miss Lina Clary, daughter of Thomas W. Clary, and Starr Brinckerhoff, son of ex-Supervisor John H. Brinckerhoff, both of Jamaica, were united by the Rev. R. J. Tilton of the Reformed Church of Jamaica. Miss Irene Brinckerhoff was maid of honor and Gouverneur Edwards best man.

SOCIETY NOTES.

Mme. Katherine Evans von Klenner will give a recital at her home, 40 Stuyvesant Street, on April 14.

Miss Georgina Roberts lectured to the children at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at Sherry's, illustrating her talk with stereopticon views.

Mr. and Mrs. Manues Baum and Miss Baum, of 101 West Eighty-fifth Street, have returned to this city from their Southern home, Park View, Camden, S. C.

The Nurses Alumnae Association of the Post-Graduate Hospital gave a fair in the hospital, Twentieth Street and Second Avenue, on Wednesday, from 1 to 10 P. M.

A concert for the benefit of the Young Women's Christian Association of Harlem will be given in the Harlem Opera House on April 15. Charlotte Walker will sing.

Mrs. Candace Wheeler gave the concluding lecture of the Society of Decorative Art course at Sherry's yesterday at 5 P. M. Her subject was "The History of Needlework."

The Magazine and Essay Club have invited Miss S. C. Very to give a lecture to them on music at 42 West Seventy-fifth Street, their headquarters. It will take place on April 18.

St. Mark's Lenten Sewing Class will hold a sale of useful and fancy articles, Easter books, flowers, &c., at the rectory, 11 Livingston Place, to-morrow, from 4 to 10 P. M., for the benefit of the Ladies' Benevolent Society of St. Mark's Church.

A soiree musicale will be given at the house of Mrs. Charles Hamilton, 12 West Seventy-fifth Street, to-morrow evening, in which the following artists will take part: Karl Jörn, tenor; Mrs. Theodore Toedt, soprano; Miss Lillian Littlehales, violoncello; Miss Bertha Bucklin, violin, and Miss Florence Gale, piano.

FFRANGCON-DAVIES'S RECITAL.

Songs and Cantellations at Mendelssohn Glee Club Hall.

Mr. D. Ffrangcon-Davies, the distinguished Welsh baritone, has returned to this country and made his first appearance yesterday afternoon at Mendelssohn Hall. The programme announced songs and "cantillations," and no doubt the latter word aroused a great deal more curiosity than the former, because Mr. Ffrangcon-Davies's work as a singer is already well known and much loved by this public. The cantillation proved to be the recitation of poems to the accompaniment of descriptive music, but with some differences from the ordinary recitation of the elocutionist. In the first place, Mr. Ffrangcon-Davies, being a singer, uses his voice in a manner which would not occur to an elocutionist, and endeavors to pitch it in such a way that it has a musical relation to the piano part. Occasionally he chants a line, and still more often he sings a bit of melody. Meanwhile the descriptive music is played behind a curtain, before which the cantillator stands. The effect is always interesting and sometimes intensely dramatic.

The music for the cantillations has been composed by Stanley Hawley, a young Englishman, and shows decided talent. It was played admirably yesterday by Isidore Luckstone, assisted, when necessary, by Paul Ambrose at the organ. In the first part of his programme Mr. Ffrangcon-Davies sang most delightfully songs by Edward German, MacDowell, Stanley Hawley, Clarence Lucas, Frances Allitsen, and Sir Arthur Sullivan, as well as two old English ballads. Before beginning his recital the singer made an explanation to the audience. He said that it had been his first impulse to postpone the concert "in view of the dire calamity which has befallen the musical world," but that he had found it impracticable to make sufficiently wide announcement of such postponement.

THEATRICAL GOSSIP.

George Blumenthal of the Harlem Opera House is negotiating for the management of Lillian Russell for next season.

In honor of the memory of Anton Seidl, John Philip Sousa will give at his next concert at the Metropolitan Opera House, on Sunday night, the funeral dirge entitled "The Honored Dead."

Amelia Somerville, who is at present traveling with "Cumberland '61," is shortly to marry Max Eugene, formerly of the "Brian Boru" Company, and now of the Castle Square Opera Company. The attachment between the couple sprang up while both were in the cast of "Brian Boru."

Among the artists who will take part in the performance to be given at the Carnegie Lyceum to-morrow evening for the benefit of the widow of Percy West, are Frances Sedgwick, Warren R. Richards, Gordon Cleather, Darwin Rudd, W. J. Romain, Howard Morgan, Marguerite St. John, and G. M. Wood. Mrs. West and Percita West will also participate.

Alfred E. Aarons, manager of Koster & Bial's, has secured the services of Reginald Roberts to take the part originally allotted to Signor Perugini in "Au Bain," which is to be produced next Monday night. The deal was effected through the courtesy of Andrew McCormick, manager of the Broadway Theatre. Mr. Roberts has been connected with "The Highwayman" Company, acting as understudy for Joseph O'Mara.

...Near Atbara Reconnoitred by the Anglo-Egyptian Expedition.

...OUD WELL INTRENCHED

...s Fail to Reply to an Assault ... Artillery at 1,000 Yards, ...ently Expecting a Closer Engagement.

..., March 31.—It is announced in a ... from Atbara, on the Atbara River, ...iver,) a branch of the Nile, above ... that an important reconnoissance ...ted by the Anglo-Egyptian troops ...esday.

... squadrons of cavalry, four Maxim ... battery of horse artillery, two bat... of infantry, and the whole of the ... troops reconnoitred the dervish ... eighteen miles from Atbara, this ... and encountered 500 of the en... horsemen, whom they drove in, and, ...forward, found Mahmoud's posi... the heavy bush and strongly en... with pits filled with riflemen and ... by a thick zeriba.

...centre was a small hill with three ...entrenchments filled with spearmen. ...hole position was swarming with ... alert for the attack. The artil... opened fire at 1,000 yards. The effect ...parently good, but it was difficult to ... a certainty, owing to the thick ... The Maxims also swept the front of ...sition.

...dervishes, however, did not reply, ...tly awaiting an attack at close quar... Having ascertained the enemy's posi... the reconnoitring force retired, foi... by the dervish horsemen, who did ...ack, but retreated under shell fire.

...APAN AND WEI-HAI-WEI.

...to Have Asked America to Support Her Refusal to Withdraw.

...DON, March 31.—It is rumored here ...Japan has asked the United States ... Great Britain in supporting Japan's ... to withdraw from Wei-Hai-Wei after ... payment of the Chinese war in... ...y in view of the possibility of Rus... ...ing that port.

...ED PORTS OPEN TO TRADE.

...arson Says Russia Gave Notice ... Port Arthur and Ta-lien-wan.

...DON, March 31.—In the House of ...mons to-day the Parliamentary Secre... of the Foreign Office, Mr. George N. ..., said Count Muravieff, the Russian ... of Foreign Affairs, on March 16 ...ised the British Ambassador at St. ...burg, Sir N. R. O'Conor, to inform ...Majesty's Government that in the ... of China consenting to lease Port Ar... and Ta-lien-wan to Russia both ports ...be open to foreign trade on the same ...as the other Chinese ports.

...TCH IN THE CHINESE LOAN.

...e and Russia Trying to Prevent Its Ratification.

...DON, March 31.—The Globe this aft... says it understands there is a hitch ...nection with the Chinese loan owing ... Stock Exchange Committee refusing ...ation until the Emperor of China rati...

...ce and Russia, The Globe says, are ...ing to prevent the ratification, and it ...ible the matter may yet require the ...ation of Germany and Great Britain.

...an Cruiser Gaselle Launched.

..., March 31.—The new German ... Gaselle was launched here to-day. ...as christened by Princess Henry of ..., and the Empress Frederick of ...y was among those present at the ...y. Admiral von Tirpitz, Secretary ...Imperial Navy, alluded in a speech ...husband of Princess Henry of Prus... "upholding the sea power of Ger... in the East East."

...ung Chang and Port Arthur.

...IN, March 31.—Li Hung Chang has ...invested with full powers to proceed ...rt Arthur to delimitate the territory ...ly leased to Russia by China.

...NG GEORGE'S ASSAILANTS.

...tsi and Giorgii Condemned to Death in Athens.

...ENS, March 31.—At the trial of Kar... and Giorgii to-day on the charge of an ...pt to assassinate King George of ... on Feb. 28 last, when his Majesty, ...panied by the Princess Marie, was ...rning from Phalerum to Athens, a large ...er of the leading Greeks and many ...ers of the Diplomatic Corps were ...ent.

...ditsi, who is ill with consumption, said ...as impelled to the act by newspaper ...s declaring King George responsible ...e misfortunes of the country, and he ...d that if he had succeeded in killing ..., he would have tried to kill M. ...or Delyannis, the former Premier. ...rgii declared that he fired into the air. ...Prisoners were condemned to death.

...d of Suffolk and Berkshire Dead.

...DON, March 31.—Henry Charles How... ...Earl of Suffolk and Berkshire, is dead.

...The late Earl of Suffolk and Berkshire ...rs at Charlton Park, Malmesbury, in ...and succeeded his father in the title ...estates in 1876. He was a Steward of ...esley Club, and a member of the ...e Club and National Hunt Committee. ...His sporting articles came from his ...He was the chief editor of The Ency... ...dia of Sport, and the author of por... ...of the Badminton Library. He is suc... ...by his son, Henry Molyneux Paget, ...Lord Andover, who was born Sept. 13, ...

...Conservative for Parliament.

...DON, March 31.—As a result of the ...s yesterday for a member of Parlia... ...represent the East Division of Berk... ...in succession to Sir George Russell, ...deceased, the Conservative candidate ...returned.

...The polling was as follows:

...Young, Conservative	4,726
...ther, Liberal	3,690
...rvative majority	1,036

...The last election Sir George Russell ...ed without opposition.

...Leechmere Probably Lost.

...TTLE, March 31.—The British ...echmere, Capt. Butter, is be... ...ve been lost with all hands. She ...ne on March 23 for London, and ...n heard of since.

...chmere was an iron steamer of ...uilt at Sunderland in 1876. She ... by W. Cory & Son, (Limited,) ...from the port of London.

...rrison Unable to Appear.

... March 31.—In spite of the as... ...iven that Miss Lona Barrison ...llowed to appear in public in ...acts if she kept within the legal ...now announced that the police ... Miss Barrison not to all her ...t the Apollo Theatre on Fri... ...hostile demonstrations.

...s in British Revenues.

... March 31.—The revenue returns ... ended March 27, show an in... ...34,119, ($13,320,595.)

...rn Notes of Interest.

...rch 31.—Thirty American pil... ...have been to Palestine attend... ...a mass this morning.

... March 31.—The Duke of York ...day. The United States Am... ...John Hay, and Mr. J. R. Car... ...Secretary of the United States ...have arrived.

A Paris dispatch says that the Government ... millions which formerly had been associated with Port Arthur.

PARIS, March 31.—The Court of Cassation to-day commenced hearing the appeal of M. Emile Zola against the sentence of one year's imprisonment and 3,000 francs fine imposed upon him on Feb. 23, after he had been convicted of making libelous charges in the Aurore, against the conduct of the Esterhazy court-martial, which was an outcome of the attempts to prove that Alfred Dreyfus, condemned to imprisonment for life for betraying French military secrets to a foreign power, should have a new trial.

Councilor Chambareaud, who was appointed to examine the arguments, reported in favor of M. Zola's main plea, namely, that his trial had been irregular, because the suit was brought by the Minister for War instead of the President of the Court-martial which M. Zola had libeled. If the court, as is probable, accepts M. Chambareaud's report, the case will not be retried. The condemnation will remain, but the sentence will not be executed. This result is believed to be acceptable to the Government, as it is hoped it will stop the agitation on the subject.

Austrian Budget Submitted.

VIENNA, March 31.—The Austrian budget was submitted in the lower house of the Diet to-day. The estimated revenue is 722,271,982 florins and the expenditure is estimated at 717,946,604 florins.

WOMAN LAW CLASS GRADUATED

Chancellor MacCracken Awards Forty-seven Certificates at Madison Square Garden Concert Hall.

The closing exercises of the Woman's Law Class of New York University, the lectureship for which was founded by the Woman's Legal Education Society, took place in the Madison Square Garden Concert Hall last night. Chancellor Henry M. MacCracken awarded graduation certificates to forty-seven young women. He also made an address, as did Mrs. John P. Munn, President of the society; Prof. Clarence D. Ashley, Dean of the University Law Faculty, and Prof. Isaac Franklin Russell. Music was furnished by the University Glee Club, and prayer was offered by the Rev. Dr. Ferdinand S. Schenck.

The university prize, scholarship, valued at $200, and affording the winner two years' free tuition in the University Law School, was awarded to the member of the graduating class passing the best final examination, Miss Katherine Moncrief Miller, honorable mention being made of Miss Elsie Welling Atwater, Miss Jennie Valentine Minor, and Miss Edith May Hadley. Miss Hadley also won the prize of $25 offered by Miss Isabella Mary Pettus for the best essay by a member of the graduating class, her subject being "The Respective Spheres of Federal and State Legislation."

Miss Grace Esther Drew, a newspaper writer under the nomme de guerre "Margery Daw," read an essay on "The Child and the Law," and another on "Federal Law," was read by Miss Louise Morrell Franklin of Elizabeth, N. J. Prof. Ashley's address was on "Legal Education."

Prof. Isaac F. Russell's remarks were of special interest in view of the present crisis. "Judicial reason," said he, "is often unduly exalted as a sufficient solvent of all problems in the private life of citizens and in the public disputes of sovereign States. The vision of perpetual peace inspires the hope of "a parliament of man, a federation of the world." Wars will be no more when a permanent international tribunal shall have taken jurisdiction over all controversies arising between the nations of the earth.

"But, on the other hand, let us reflect that there are things worse than war and worse than death. Among these we may mention hopeless and debasing tyranny and the decay of National honor. And there are principles, too, which we will not consent to discuss, and which we cannot in honor submit to arbitration. Selfish, luxurious peace is dearly bought by an abundant prostitution of every principle of National honor. Self-respect is a holy trust. Dignity, honor, and sense of personal worthiness are a part of the necessary moral equipment as well of a State as of an individual."

RARE BOOK SOLD IN BOSTON.

Capt. John Smith's "True Relation" Goes to Dodd, Mead & Co. for $1,425.

BOSTON, March 31.—At the Dean Library sale Capt. John Smith's "True Relation" was sold this afternoon to Dodd, Mead & Co. of New York for $1,425. Efforts were made to secure the book for the Boston Public Library, but the New York firm outbid all competitors.

HEINE MONUMENT FOR HOBOKEN

The Council Finally Allows It to be Erected in Hudson Park.

The Heine monument, "The Lorelei," which was denied a place in Central Park on the ground that it was not a work of art, is to be located in Hoboken, the Common Council having given the necessary permit at a special meeting held yesterday. The application was made by Julius Schlatter and J. Henry Timken, on behalf of the German-American residents of the city.

The monument will be erected in Hudson Park, at whatever place may be agreed upon by committees of the Council and citizens appointed for the purpose. The cost will be $4,000, which is to be raised by subscription.

H. W. BAYLIS ACCUSED.

Charged with Putting $100 Bills in the Place of $1,000 Ones.

Henry W. Baylis, a salesman of the New York Cut Flower Company, at 119 West Twenty-third Street, was held for trial yesterday in the Yorkville Court on a charge of grand larceny. The complainant, Andrew J. Teirney, a truckman of 340 East Thirty-fifth Street, testified that last Wednesday he met Baylis, whom he has known for some years, in the offices of the flower company, and asked him to change a fifty-dollar bill. The bill was in an envelope containing seven one-thousand-dollar bills. This envelope, Teirney says, he handed to Baylis, and when the latter handed it back with the change of the fifty-dollar bill, two of the one-thousand-dollar bills had been abstracted and two one-hundred-dollar bills substituted therefor.

Baylis denied counting the money or even handling the envelope containing the bills of the larger denomination, but admitted having given change for $50.

SHARPE RETURNS TO DUTY.

His Promised Resignation as General Appraiser Not Yet Presented.

Gen. George H. Sharpe returned to duty as a member of the Board of United States General Appraisers yesterday after an absence of twenty days on official leave. Grief and nervous shock caused by the death of his wife rendered a period of absolute rest necessary for the General, and he returns apparently improved in health and spirits.

A few days before he went away Gen. Sharpe authorized a public statement that he intended to resign as a General Appraiser. He said yesterday that he had not sent in his resignation, and was not prepared to say just what he would do in that matter.

It is no secret that a desire for Gen. Sharpe's resignation has been expressed in high official quarters. Suggestions have been made in Washington that his retirement from the board would lead to more perfect harmony of action. These suggestions had much to do with Gen. Sharpe's determination a month ago to resign. He has many strong political friends, however, who feel that such an old and distinguished public servant is entitled to much consideration, and they object to his being forced out of office.

Master Builders Meet.

The Master Builders of New York met in the headquarters of the Harlem Builders' League, 74 West One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Street, last night, to consider the demand of the Stonecutters' Union for an eight-hour day, beginning May 1. John P. Leo presided and fifty prominent builders were present. The builders decide to fight the demand. A final meeting to act on the matter will be held in the same place next Thursday evening.

The City Superintendent of Schools the Guest of the Hamilton Club.

JUDGE VAN WYCK TALKS OF WAR

He Praises the Attitude of President McKinley and Gen. Lee in a Patriotic Speech — Dr. Draper of Illinois a Guest.

The Hamilton Club of Brooklyn gave a dinner last night in the clubhouse in honor of Dr. William H. Maxwell, one of its members, who was lately elected City School Superintendent. Nearly all of the prominent members of the club and many invited guests prominent in educational circles were present. James McKeen, President of the club, presided, and with him at table were Dr. Maxwell, Dr. Andrew S. Draper, President of the University of Illinois; Charles R. Skinner, State Superintendent of Public Instruction; Judge Augustus Van Wyck, Truman J. Backus, John Winslow, Willis L. Ogden, John G. Wright, and D. H. Cochran, President of the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute; A. C. Barnes, W. S. Logan, W. J. Coombs, and Franklin W. Hooper. Covers were laid for 100.

President McKeen delivered the introductory toast of the evening, congratulating Dr. Maxwell upon his selection. Mr. McKeen said he thought appropriate for the occasion the Latin proverb, "In armes silont legas," which, he said, had been translated by one authority as "when the army is around the lawyers had better hold their tongues." On this subject the speaker said that he also thought appropriate the words of Lord Brougham, who said: "The schoolmaster is abroad, and I would put more trust in the schoolmaster with his primer than in the soldier with all his equipment. [Applause.]

"'In spite of these maxims," said Mr. McKeen, "I cannot resist the chance of saying a word for our guests, and here I will digress to call attention to the statement of our distinguished member, Minister Woodford, who said that Spain had a population of 19,000,000 people, of whom 9,000,000 had no obvious means of support, and of these 6,000,000 could neither read nor write. In view of this, if Spain is to be invaded by the United States I think that the invasion might wisely be made by an army of schoolmasters." [Applause.]

Mr. McKeen congratulated the guest of honor and proposed his health, which was drunk by the members standing.

Dr. Maxwell Wants Co-operation.

Dr. Maxwell then spoke. He said he could not, if he would, affect to be indifferent to the high honor conferred upon him by the club. The main purpose, he thought, was something infinitely higher than a manifestation of personal regard. It was rather a regard of the members of the organization for the cause of public education.

Dr. Maxwell gave a history of the appointment of Superintendents in the various cities of the Union, and said that it remained for the charter of the Greater New York to make the greatest advance ever made in specializing the functions of the Superintendent. He named the different duties, and added: "To enable me to perform my task, I need the sympathy and co-operation of every Superintendent, Principal, and teacher; of every man and every woman who loathes favoritism and loves righteousness."

President Draper of the University of Illinois, formerly New York State Superintendent of Public Construction, and who was first elected to the place now filled by Dr. Maxwell, which position he declined to accept, made the next address. Dr. Draper said in part:

"In importance and in hindrances the school system of the City of New York may well have pre-eminence, but there is great occasion for encouragement. The time is not so far removed as to permit me to forget when there seemed to be no quickened and informed public sentiment in behalf of the schools, and when efforts for their advancement were either opposed or ridiculed by some whose business it was to help them on; but in later years the thought of the city has been arrested and the people who can accomplish results seem to stand ready to pay their money without limit, and follow a competent leadership to the point of pre-eminence in completeness and efficiency."

Judge Augustus Van Wyck discussed the "Spirit of Fraternity and Friendship Developed by the Brotherhood of Student Life and by Alumni Associations." He said that it was this spirit of fraternity which after the most stupendous civil war in the history of the world has unified the country.

"And this," he said, "is emphasized at this juncture when Mars stands ready with the starter's flag, the bugle call of the sentries having been sounded, two of which approach the starting post sullen, estranged, and unfriendly in spirit; but that the angel of peace shall rescue the flag from the bloody hand of Mars and declare the contest settled according to justice and honor is the prayer of every good citizen of this land. But if the flag must drop and the contest must be entered upon, then every American will rejoice that to the everlasting glory of the land of the peerless Washington, when the call for $50,000,000 was first suggested, not a Senator and not a Congressman could be found who had the slightest suspicion that the Chief Executive of this Nation or his advisers could or would play with the Nation's honor or trifle with the Nation's peace.

"This happy union and harmony of every section at this time is manifested by the supreme confidence in Major McKinley, who led the soldiers in the blue, and in the Consul General of the United States in Havana, who commanded the Confederate cavalry in the Army of Northern Virginia. Our country, 'tis of thee, we are concerned. Our country, 'tis to thee our devotions are rendered; our country, 'tis for thee we are, right or wrong; but our country has never, must never, and shall never be wrong."

BIG MORTGAGES IN CHICAGO.

Loan of £103,000 on the Tacoma Building—Another for $300,000.

CHICAGO, March 31.—A trust deed for £103,000, given on the Tacoma Building, was filed for record this morning by the Scottish Provident Institution of London, making the loan to the Tacoma Safety Deposit Company. The Northern Trust Company is made trustee, and the payment of the bond is secured by an issue of first mortgage bonds payable April 1, 1913, with 4 per cent. interest.

A mortgage of $300,000 on the property now occupied by the Gaiety Theatre was also filed, the mortgage being given by James B., Mary S., and Elsie White to the New York Life Insurance Company.

CHICAGO DRUG FIRM FAILS.

Date & Sempill Make an Assignment After Forty Years.

CHICAGO, March 31.—The Date & Sempill Drug Company, on Clark Street, founded forty years ago, made an assignment in the County Court to-day to Nicholas M. Blumenthal. No statement of assets and liabilities was made in the assignment papers. It is said that the liabilities of the house are considerably in excess of the assets, the latter being estimated at $12,000.

The business of the company is being conducted as usual, an order of court having been secured to allow the referee to carry on temporarily the affairs of the corporation. The failure was due, it is said, to heavy rent and a falling off of its trade.

Two Notable Paintings on View.

Two paintings are attracting art lovers to Miss Watkins's salon, 345 Fifth Avenue, where they will be sold. Their joint value is about $12,000, and several society women are taking an interest in their sale. One of them, a Suffolk study by John Odenrick, R. A., "Stoke-by-Nayland," was one of the pictures exhibited at the Paris Exposition. Years after sold in the Wilson sale in Paris. Miss Watkins, who is an artist, is in it there. The other, a relic of the Orleans collection, is "The Old Wood Farm," by John Crome, Sr.

Public Memorial Demonstration Held at the Metropolitan Opera House.

THOUSANDS IN ATTENDANCE

The Address Delivered by the Rev. Morle St. Croix Wright and a Telegram Sent by Robert G. Ingersoll—The Body Cremated.

The public memorial services for Anton Seidl in the Metropolitan Opera House yesterday afternoon, in the size and character of the assemblage that there honored the master, and in the number, variety, and beauty of the floral tokens of remembrance that surrounded his bier, testified amply to the place he had made for himself in the esteem of this community. Every seat was occupied, and many stood on every floor except that occupied by private boxes. The desire to gain admittance to the Opera House seemed to have no limit, and hundreds of persons without tickets poured in at the various entrances in the vain hope of begging an admission.

Such a display of floral tributes as met the gaze within the Opera House is rarely seen. It was in keeping with the magnitude of the demonstration otherwise, and it was touching as well as imposing, for each one of the delicate emblems was significant of an individual sorrow. The entire space in front of the stage usually occupied by the orchestra was floored over, carpeted, and encircled with black cloth. In the centre, where Anton Seidl so often wielded his baton, was the catafalque, ornamented only by a silken American flag and a few floral tokens.

When the flower-covered coffin containing the body of the dead musician was brought in and placed on this catafalque it formed the centrepiece of a wide-spreading and deftly-harmonized mass of fragrant and variegated color. Standing on the edge of the stage and near the head of the coffin was a large music stand made of flowers. Its top, daintily woven with purple immortelles and edged with white roses, resembled an open book, and suspended from one corner of the book was Seidl's favorite baton. This music stand was the tribute of the Maurice Grau Opera Company. Near by stood a large lyre of white and pink roses with strings of violets and smilax which testified to the affectionate remembrance of the Metropolitan Permanent Orchestra.

Other Tributes.

Mme. Melba sent a rich wreath of violets nearly two feet in diameter; Jean and Edouard De Reszke, a large lyre of white and pink roses interspersed with delicate vines; Robert G. Ingersoll, a victory wreath of bay leaves; and the Steinway Brothers, an immense wreath of selected roses in a rich setting of green and Autumn leaves. One of the most beautiful and touching of the tokens was that of the Seidl Society—a large double S, formed of red carnations and united by a heavy bow of pink silk. A tall lyre of white and red flowers, sent by the Philharmonic Society attracted much attention because of its size and beauty. The Liederkranz Society sent a handsome lyre of red roses, Easter lilies, and vines; the Arion Society, a large broken column of white, red, and pink roses and violets; the Musical Mutual Protective Union, a music stand in the form of a lyre of white roses, lilies, and violets; the German Polyclinic, a luxuriant wreath of bay leaves; the German Press Club, a wreath of roses and leaves, and the Manuscript Society a large wreath of galyx leaves and violets. E. Francis Hyde, President of the Philharmonic Society, James Speyer, and Carl Loewenstein each sent wreaths or bunches of flowers. A dainty tribute was sent by Lillian Nordica, in the shape of a wreath of roses tied by two large pieces of ribbon in the Hungarian colors—red, white, and green.

The stage was set in the church scene from "Faust," with lighted candles in the tall candelabra. The Musical Mutual Protective Union and the Philharmonic Orchestra occupied the greater part of the stage, while the singers stood at the sides when not singing.

Prominent Persons Present.

In the assemblage which filled every part of the Opera House were people of every calling. Society, the professions, the artist's studio, and the counting room were well represented. There were, among others, Frank Damrosch, Mrs. Leopold Damrosch, Rafael Joseffy, Victor Herbert, Xaver Scharwenka, Henry Villard, Thomas Hitchcock, Mrs. George Henry Warren, Parke Godwin, Mrs. R. T. Wilson and daughters, Miss Josephine Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, R. M. Gallaway, George G. Haven, Mrs. H. McK. Twombly, Miss Annie Leary, A. D. Juilliard, Henry T. Barbey and Miss Barbey, Mrs. Seton, Thomas F. Cushing, Mr. and Mrs. James Speyer, Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan and the Misses Morgan, Mrs. George C. Bowdoin, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Sloane, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clews, C. V. Fornes, John D. Crimmins, Preble Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Jose Aymar, Mr. and Mrs. E. Tiffany Dyer, Miss McAllister, the Misses Brice, Robert Maclay, Thomas E. Kelly, Miss Eloise Breese, Mrs. John C. Westervelt, Miss Caroline De Forest, Prof. Frank Van der Stucken, Miss Callendar, Henry von Daur, Henry Holden Huss, George H. Daniels, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Noble, and Warren R. Hedden.

The public services at the Opera House were preceded by simple services at Mr. Seidl's late home, 38 East Sixty-second Street, at which were present most of the pall bearers and other personal friends of the Seidls—sufficient in number to fill the house. A crowd that may have numbered 200 gathered in front of and at either side of the house, but the police prevented any intrusion. The private services consisted only of the reading from Scripture and of several poetical selections by the Rev. Morle St. Croix Wright, who was introduced by H. E. Krehbiel. Just before the services began a cable dispatch was brought in from Jean de Reszke, at St. Petersburg. It read: "Deeply affected by the great loss of the greatest Wagner conductor of the day."

The coffin was cloth-covered, with silver handles. On its plate was the brief inscription: "Anton Seidl. Born May 7, 1850. Died March 28, 1898." It rested on a bier in one corner of the front parlor, and roses and other flowers so covered it that only the face of the dead man was left visible. At the head of the coffin was a candelabra with seven candles. Mrs. Seidl sat beside the coffin, and the Rev. Mr. Wright stood near her. In the company were Mrs. Robert G. Ingersoll, Miss Ingersoll, Miss Farrell, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Weber, the Misses Woodruff, Mrs. Xaver Scharwenka, Mrs. Max Fleischmann, Mrs. Oscar B. Weber, and Mrs. Louis Josephthal.

Mrs. Seidl Faints.

When the time came for her to take the last look upon the face of her husband, Mrs. Seidl arose and bent her gaze upon her dead. The ordeal was too much, and she fainted. She was assisted to a seat, and in a few minutes recovered herself and was able to give the signal for departure. It was about 12:30 o'clock when the coffin covered with flowers was borne from the house, and the procession started for the Opera House. Mrs. Seidl, with her maid, was in the first carriage. Mrs. Oscar B. Weber and Mrs. Louis Josephthal accompanied her. The procession went to Fifth Avenue, to Fortieth Street, to Broadway. In the avenue were many pedestrians, who stood and uncovered until the hearse had gone by. At Fifth Avenue and Fortieth Street the band of the Musical Mutual Protective Union met the hearse, and escorted it to the Opera House, in front of which was gathered a great throng of persons of all ages and both sexes. The men here also uncovered until the coffin was taken from view.

It was nearly 1:15 when the Musical Mutual Protective Union, under the leadership of Nahan Franko, began a dirge from Beethoven and so informed the expectant thousands that the body of Anton Seidl was being brought in. Everybody rose and remained standing while the coffin, preceded by the pall bearers, with Carl Schurz at their head, was borne down the centre aisle and placed upon the catafalque. Mrs. Seidl and her accompanying friends went to Box No. 50.

The programme of exercises was carried out with no delay. A male chorus from the Arion Society, led by Julius Lorenz, sang the plaintive "Wenn sich zwei Herzen scheiden," and the Philharmonic Orchestra, Richard Arnold leading, played the Adagio Lamentoso," from Tschaikowsky's "Symphonie Pathetique." After the Deutscher Liederkranz, led by H. Zoellner and assisted by Miss Sargent, had sung the "Golden Requiem" of Koellner, the Rev.

LAKE NAVIGATION REOPENS

Superstition Regarding Friday to Govern Many Skippers.

CHICAGO, March 31.—Lake navigation will open to-morrow, but owing to the superstition of skippers and sailors regarding Friday, few, if any, of the big boats will sail out of the harbor before Saturday forenoon.

In several instances the vessels will leave their docks a few minutes after 12 o'clock to-morrow night. Not one Captain, however, would admit to a reporter to-day that he had any superstition about sailing on Friday. In many cases it was represented the crew could not be got together in time or that the coal shutters had not been filled.

SERBIA IN REVOLT.

Twenty-two Deputies Withdraw from the Skupshtina House.

BOSTON, March 31.—Twenty of the largest banks in this city to-day gave notice that beginning to-morrow they will cease to do business in the Clearing House market. These banks also represent about 50 per cent. of the $30,130,000 capitalization of the National banks which do business at the Clearing House, have agreed to neither borrow nor lend balances at clearing in future, but to transact such business over their respective counters, instead, at a minimum rate of 4 per cent.

This movement is the result of the difference of opinion as to the level of the inter-bank loaning rate which has existed among the banks for a long time.

POLICE BAIL IN CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, March 31.—Radical changes in the police court system in Chicago will be made in a week or ten days. At present the two Justices—Martin and Foster—hold court at the Harrison Street Station from 9:30 in the morning until noon. In the afternoon they sit in their private courts, and in the evening, from 7 to 11 o'clock, they alternate in staying at the station to accept bail bonds. The bulk of what are known as night arrests are made after 11 o'clock, or after the Justice has gone home. These late bonds are captured by the bail-bond sharks, and the bond fee, which under the new salary system will go to the city, is turned over to an outsider. Controller Waller says he is determined that the city shall get all these station fees, and to get them all he plans to have a Justice on duty day and night.

DEATH LIST OF A DAY.

James L. Wolcott.

James L. Wolcott, former Chancellor of Delaware, died yesterday at his home in Dover, aged fifty-six. Mr. Wolcott was a leading member of the Kent County bar and was counsel for the Pennsylvania Railroad. He had held the positions of Clerk of the State Senate, Secretary of State from 1879 to 1883, and Chancellor, resigning the latter position to accept the railroad attorneyship.

Mr. Wolcott was for years a leader in Democratic politics, and was at the head of the faction that opposed the Saulsbury wing of the party. In 1888 he entered the field for United States Senator in opposition to the late Eli Saulsbury and captured the Democratic primaries in Kent County but the subsequent Saulsbury bolt defeated Mr. Wolcott's Senatorial aspirations by electing a Republican Legislature, which sent Anthony Higgins to Washington as the first Republican United States Senator from Delaware.

George S. Little.

Dr. George S. Little died on Wednesday at his residence, 907 Hancock Street, Brooklyn. He had been a resident of the city since 1851, and active in medical circles, having for several years held the post of Inspector in the Board of Health.

Dr. Little was born in Middletown, N. Y., Jan. 15, 1826, and was a graduate of the New York University. He served through the war as Assistant Surgeon in the Nineteenth New York Volunteers, and in the Ninety-seventh New York Volunteers. He was a member of Odell Post, No. 443, G. A. R.; Ridgewood Council, No. 678, R. A.; Brooklyn Medical Society and the Union Veterans' Legion. He leaves a widow and two children, a son and daughter. The services will be held at the family home to-night at 8:30 o'clock. The interment will be in Middletown to-morrow.

Obituary Notes.

JOHN J. RYAN of 534 Garden Street, Hoboken, died yesterday from hasty consumption. He was thirty-two years old and unmarried. He was a son of Michael J. Ryan, who was a soldier in Fort Sumter when it was bombarded in 1861.

The Rev. J. AVERY SHEPHARD, one of the best known Episcopal clergymen in Northern California, died yesterday at Santa Rosa, aged 52 years. He was in Montgomery, Ala., when the Confederate Congress held its first session, and delivered the opening prayer. He was a prominent Mason.

THOMAS KENNEY, sixty-five years old, a veteran volunteer fireman, died at his home, 179 Adelphi Street, Brooklyn, on Wednesday evening. He was formerly a member of Excelsior Hose Company, No. 2. The funeral will take place to-morrow morning, from the Church of the Sacred Heart, Clermont Avenue, near Park Avenue, Brooklyn. A widow, three sons, and two daughters survive him.

JOHN T. ANDREWS, a pioneer hotel keeper of Elizabeth, N. J., died yesterday from blood poisoning. Four years ago there was a fire in King's Hotel, near his own place, and Andrews broke a panel in the door in order to arouse the inmates. A splinter penetrated his hand, and an abscess formed. His arm was amputated with the hope of preventing the poison from extending through his body, but to no avail.

Mrs. REBECCA NATHAN died early yesterday morning in her seventy-seventh year, at her home, 143 West Eleventh Street. She was Miss Rebecca Solomons of Montreal, Canada, and married Mendes Nathan, a member of an old Jewish family, and member of the New York Stock Exchange, over fifty years ago. Mr. Nathan died three or four years ago. Mrs. Nathan has for years been a member of Shearith Israel congregation, of which the Rev. H. Pereira Mendes is pastor. She leaves three daughters and five sons. The funeral will be at the house, probably Sunday, and she will be buried in Cypress Hills Cemetery.

CHARLES LEWIS FLEMING, sixty-five years old, died at his residence, 845 St. Nicholas Avenue, Wednesday. Heart trouble was the cause of death. Mr. Fleming was born in this city. When quite a young man he embarked in the retail hat trade, and retired about twenty-five years ago. He was a member of the Seventh Regiment Veteran Corps and a charter member and one of the ex-Governors of the Military Club. He was also a member of the Consolidated Exchange. His widow, a daughter, and a son survive him. Funeral services will be held to-morrow, at 2 P. M., in the Church of the Intercession, One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Street and the Boulevard. The interment will be in Woodlawn.

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HORWITZ.—On March 29, 1898, Arnold B. Horwitz, 16 years of age, beloved son of Otto and Bertha J. Horwitz.
Buried March 31. Berlin, Hamburg, and Vienna papers please copy.

McCREERY.—On Thursday, March 24, at Columbia, S. C., T. A. McCreery.

MINOR.—On Thursday, March 31, 1898, Evelena H., daughter of the late Ezra and Sarah T. Minor.
Funeral services at her late residence, Oyster Bay, Long Island, on Saturday, April 2, at 4 o'clock. Carriages will meet 2 o'clock train from Long Island City. Relatives and friends are invited.

WOODLAWN CEMETERY.

Woodlawn Station, (34th Ward.) Harlem Railroad. Office, No. 20 East 23d St.

DEATHS REPORTED MARCH 31.

Manhattan and Bronx.

Ages of one year or under are put down one year.

Name and Address.	Age in Yrs.	Date Dth. Mar.
ARNOW, Jacob, 192 Orchard St.	1	30
BURNS, Catharine, 627 E. 16th St.	41	29
BONNEY, Francis, 225 E. 30th St.	54	30
BLACK, Lena, 302 Broome St.	28	30
BOYLE, Edward, 153 W. 101st St.	70	30
COHEN, Betsy, 62 E. Broadway	61	30
CURRAN, Ann, 344 1st Av.	52	30
CLAVIN, James, 344 W. 38th St.	62	30
CRAWFORD, C. J., 316 E. 126th St.	5	30
DUERMEIRDEN, Barbara, 2,060 5th Av.	79	30
DOLAN, Julia, 518 W. 39th St.	45	30
EBERHARDT, Pearly, Riverside Hosp.	1	30
EDMAND, Marana, 31 Madison St.	1	30
ECCLES, Robert, 668 Morris Av.	1	30
FARGO, Olivia, 2,091 3d Av.	42	30
GALVIN, John, 204 E. 85th St.	63	30
GREENWALDER, Lena, 160 W. 84th St.	1	30
HICKEY, Michael, 406 E. 19th St.	58	30
KLAVALIER, Barbara, 430 E. 62d St.	68	30
HANLON, Ellen, New Haven, Conn.	72	30
HAAS, Ethel D., 300 W. 94th St.	1	30
LOWENBERG, Simon, 43 Willett St.	61	31
MAGUIRE, Mary A., 1,000 Park Av.	71	31
MCCLOSKEY, Mary, 710 E. 116th St.	1	31
MURPHY, Annie, 605 E. 140th St.	1	31
MAYNOR, Mary, 221 1st Av.	44	30
MOORE, Theodore, 1,060 1st Av.	58	29
MOORE, Gussie, 213 W. 118th St.	1	31
MACK, Clara, 1,842 2d Av.	41	31
MAGUIRE, Harry, 230 E. 104th St.	1	31
MAGUIRE, Charles, 158 E. 118th St.	1	31
MORRIS, Christian, 153 E. 115th St.	71	31
MURPHY, Thomas, 551 Brook Av.	1	31
MEISSNER, Peter, 1,460 2d Av.	48	29
O'DONNELL, Edward, 1 Oak St.	1	31
O'BRIEN, Ellen, 1,452 2d Av.	49	30
O'DONNELL, Hugh, 10 Oak St.	29	30
O'REILLY, Michael, Almshouse.	60	30
PRICE, Ellis, 1,626 Y. 124th St.	72	29
PLATEN, Barbara, 544 E. 134th St.	61	30
REINHART, Jessie, 425 W. 47th St.	1	31
RYAN, John J., Hoboken, N. J.	23	30
SANDAVIS, John, 5 Livingston Place	2	31
ROBERTO, Francesco, 243 Mulberry	1	31
STEIGER, Margaretha, 243 E. 66th	66	30
SIMONS, Solomon, 226 1st Av.	67	29
SCHMIDT, Frederick, 442 E. 12th	61	30
SCHNEIDER, Edward, 60 1st Av.	29	30
SCHLEGEL, Reginald, 220 W. 104th St.	1	31
SIMMS, Martin, 213 E. 106d St.	55	28
SCHERDEGGER, Pauline, 349 E. 54th St.	53	29
SUTTER, John S., 266 W. 11th St.	37	29
SOMMERS, Peter, St. Joseph's Hosp.	20	29
TRELLA, Giovanni, 225 E. 106th St.	2	30
TODD, Arthur C., 147 E. 49th St.	48	30
TRITTELLE, Ithiel, Jr., 301 W. 139th	31	29
VOLKHARDT, Sebastian, 429 E. 5th	40	28
WILLIAMS, Sarah J., 304 E. 98th St.	67	29
WHEELING, Marie, 110 E. 84 St.	69	29
WEIR, Joseph, 113 E. 98th St.	69	29
WELLINGTON, Margaret, 53 E. Houston St.	45	29

Brooklyn.

BURKE, Paul J., 943 Pacific St.	2	29
BORTELS, Charles, 1,328 St. Mark's Av.	57	29
BLOOM, Ottilie, 714 Monroe St.	35	29
BURCH, Frances, Kings Co. Hosp.	2	25
CHEESEBOROUGH, Mary, 68 St. Felix St.	25

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First Mortgage Bonds.
Notice of Declaration Maturing Principal and of Payment of Bonds.

To Holders of Kansas Pacific Denver Extension First Mortgage Bonds:

Notice is hereby given that, by reason of defaults on and since November 1, 1894, in the payment of interest upon the Kansas Pacific Railway Company's Denver Extension First Mortgage Bonds, secured by its mortgage of June 20, 1889, and supplemental mortgage of April 9, 1879, a majority in interest of the holders of said bonds have, pursuant to the provisions of said mortgage, elected that the principal of all of said bonds become and be immediately due and payable, and have declared such principal to be due.

Payment of such principal and of all defaulted coupons, with interest thereon to April 15th, 1898, (at which date all interest will cease,) namely, payment of $1,261.97 for each bond and all unpaid coupons thereon will, on and after the date of this notice, be made at the office of the United States Trust Company, No. 45 Wall Street, New York City, by the undersigned Trustees, with whom funds for this purpose have been deposited.

April 1st, 1898.

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Trustees.

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3½% Gold Bonds, 1997.
New York and London,
February 19, 1898.

Referring to our circular of January 1, 1898, offering to exchange various New York Central & Hudson River R. R. Co. Bonds for the new 3 1-2 per cent. Gold Bonds, 1997, of the same Company, we hereby announce that the holders of $20,000,000 of such bonds have availed of the offer of conversion therein contained. We are now prepared to receive $20,000,000 additional of the various issues enumerated in our circular above mentioned for conversion on the same terms, except that the price for the new 3 1-2 per cent. Mortgage Gold Bonds will be 108 1-2 and interest. We reserve to ourselves the right, however, to further advance this price without notice.

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Stock market irregular.

The stock market of yesterday was decidedly erratic, fluctuating nervously, according to the bullishness or bearishness of the Washington dispatches. At all times, however, stocks were under pressure, brought to bear by the professional element. The day was devoid of any news carrying with it confirmation, although there were sensational rumors and inventions in plenty. All day Wall Street waited for something definite from Washington or Havana or Madrid, and although the scalpers jumped around in a lively manner whenever a new "extra" was issued, the more important speculative interests were not inclined to place any dependence upon the unverified stories regarding the plans of the American and the Spanish Governments.

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Traders were sellers, mostly for the short account, and there was also some unloading of stock bought at the extreme declines last week. Again, however, there were indications of renewed interest on the part of strong interests. This buying was by no means aggressive, but it had in it significance. There is in important quarters strong confidence in an early peaceful settlement of the Cuban snarl, and from them come intimations of practically completed plans to this end, reaching further than Wall Street suspects.

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London sold stocks yesterday on a large scale. Before the New York market opened the London quotations were decidedly lower than the New York closing, and in response to this prices at the opening of the Stock Exchange here declined sharply. Soon after, however, there came a rally which wiped out the early losses, and which in several stocks made new high figures for the present upward movement. Thereafter the market was dull and somewhat heavy, although at all times there was in evidence good support. In the last hour the traders attacked the list on bearish Washington dispatches, and there was heavy selling, which extended up to within a few minutes of 3 o'clock. Those few minutes, however, were sufficient time to allow the market to exhibit unexpected rallying powers, all stocks moving up sharply just at the close.

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The feverishness of yesterday's market was due more to the absence of developments and the uncertainty and delay than to any real bearishness. Many commission house clients, calculating that there will be no definite news until Monday, and wishing to avoid the dangers of wild rumors having no foundation, were inclined to get out of the market for the time being.

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Government bonds were firm. There were sales of $22,000 fours, 1925, coupon, at 122¼@123@122⅝; $7,000 fives, coupon, at 112@112½, and $15,000 do., registered, at 111¾.

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In State securities, $4,000 Virginia funded debt 2-3s of 1991 sold at 69.

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Net changes in stock quotations of one-half of 1 per cent. or more were:

Stocks Advanced.

Am. S. Ref. pf.	2⅝	Michigan Central	½
Am. Tob. pf.	1⅜	Or. R. R. & N. pf.	1½
Chi. Ter. Trans.	½	St. P., M. & M.	2
Lake Shore	½		

Stocks Declined.

Am. Cotton Oil	¼	Met. St. Ry.	4⅝
Am. Sugar Ref.	½	Missouri Pac.	⅞
Am. Tobacco	⅝	National Lead	1
At., Top. & S. F. pf.	1⅛	N. J. Central	1½
Brook. Rapid Tr.	⅛	N. Y. Central	1⅜
Brook. Union Gas	½	Nor. & West. pf.	1½
Canada Southern	⅝	North. Pac.	1⅛
Canadian Pacific	1½	North. Pac. pf.	1½
Chi., Bur. & Q.	1½	Ontario & West	⅝
Chi., M. & St. P.	⅞	Ore. Short Line	1
Chi., M. & St. P. pf.	⅞	Penn. R. R.	1
Chi. & Northwest	1½	People's Gas, Chi.	⅞
Chi., R. I. & P.	½	Pullman Car	1
C., C., C. & St. L.	½	Reading	1
Cleve., L. & W.	⅞	Reading 2d pf.	⅞
Con. Gas.	2⅜	St. L. & S. F. 2d pf.	⅝
Den. & R. G. pf.	1½	Southern Ry. pf.	½
Erie 1st pf.	1	Tenn. Coal & Iron	⅞
Gen. Electric	⅞	Third Ave.	3½
Illinois Cent.	½	Union Pacific	1½
Kan. City P. & G.	½	Union Pac. pf.	1½
Laclede Gas	½	U. S. Rubber	1
L. E. & W. pf.	½	U. S. Rubber pf.	1⅝
Louis. & Nash.	⅝	Wabash pf.	⅝
Manhattan Con.	2¾	West. Union Tel.	⅝

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Net changes in bond quotations of 1 per cent. or more were:

Bonds Advanced.

Chi., B. & Q. con. 5s.	1½	Met. Elev. 1st	1½
Chi. Gas Lt. & C. 1st	1	Min. & St. L. con.	1
C. & N. con. 7s	1	M. P. coll. 5s	1½
Ft. W. & D. C. 1st	2	Peo. & East. 1st	1⅝
Ill. & St. L. N. 2d	2	Stand. R. & T. 6s	3
K. C., P. & G. 1st	2⅜		

Bonds Declined.

A., T. & S. F. gen.	1	St. L. South. 1st	1½
L. E. & W. 2d	1½	Texas Pac. 2d	1⅞
Mo. Pac. con.	1	Union Pac. 4s	1¾
Or. Im. 5s, all in, pd.	1	Wis. Cent 1st t. r.	2
Reading gen. 4s	1½		

MONEY AND EXCHANGE.

Money on call loans at 1¾@4 per cent., closing at 2 per cent.

Time money, 4½ per cent. for sixty days and 5@6 per cent for longer periods. Commercial paper rates, 5 per cent. for sixty to ninety days' indorsements, 5½@6 per cent. for choice four to six months' single names, and 6½@7 per cent. for good names.

Clearing House exchanges, $114,089,563; balances, $11,940,415; Sub-Treasury debit balance, $638,468.

Money on call in London, 2½@3 per cent. Discount in open market, 2 15-16@3 per cent. for both short and three months' bills.

Foreign exchange market was strong. Posted rates were unchanged at $4.81¾ for sixty days and $4.84½ for demand. Actual business was done at $4.81 for sixty-day bills, $4.83⅝@4.84 for demand, $4.84⅝@4.84¾ for cable transfers, and $4.80 for commercial.

In Continental, Paris francs were quoted at 5.24⅝ for long and 5.22½@5.23⅛ for short, reichsmarks at 96 15-16@94 and 94⅝, and guilders at 39⅝ and 40@40 1-16.

New York exchange quoted as follows: Chicago—20c discount. Boston—5@15c discount. San Francisco—Sight, 12½c premium; telegraphic, 15c premium. New Orleans—Commercial, 75c discount; bank, par. Savannah—Buying, par; selling, 1-10c premium. Charleston—Buying, 1-16c discount; selling, 1-16c premium. Cincinnati—Between banks, 60c discount; over counter, par. St. Louis—30c discount.

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Time money, 4½ per cent. for sixty days and 5@6 per cent for longer periods. Commercial paper rates, 5 per cent. for sixty to ninety days' indorsements, 5½@6 per cent. for choice four to six months' single names, and 6½@7 per cent. for good names.

Clearing House exchanges, $114,089,563; balances, $11,940,415; Sub-Treasury debit balance, $638,468.

Money on call in London, 2½@3 per cent. Discount in open market, 2 15-16@3 per cent. for both short and three months' bills.

Foreign exchange market was strong. Posted rates were unchanged at $4.81¾ for sixty days and $4.84½ for demand. Actual business was done at $4.81 for sixty-day bills, $4.83⅝@4.84 for demand, $4.84⅝@4.84¾ for cable transfers, and $4.80 for commercial.

In Continental, Paris francs were quoted at 5.24⅝ for long and 5.22½@5.23⅛ for short, reichsmarks at 96 15-16@94 and 94⅝, and guilders at 39⅝ and 40@40 1-16.

New York exchange quoted as follows: Chicago—20c discount. San Francisco—Sight, 12½c premium; telegraphic, 15c premium. New Orleans—Commercial, 75c discount; bank, par. Savannah—Buying, par; selling, 1-10c premium. Charleston—Buying, 1-16c discount; selling, 1-16c premium. Cincinnati—Between banks, 60c discount; over counter, par. St. Louis—30c discount.

THE LONDON MARKET.

American shares were weak in the London market. The principal changes were: Declined—Canadian Pacific, 1, to 84¼; St. Paul, 1, to 94; Erie first preferred, ⅞, to 85¾; Illinois Central, ⅝, to 108½; Louisville and Nashville, ⅝, to 82; New York, ⅝, to 116; Reading, ⅛, to 8⅞; Pennsylvania, ⅛, to 59½; Atchison, ¼, to 12, and Erie, ⅛, to 13¼. British consols advanced 5-16, to 111⅛, for money and 3-16, to 111⅝, for the account.

The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve decreased £1,853,000, circulation increased £926,000, bullion decreased £926,695, other securities increased £3,671,000, other deposits increased £1,810,000, public deposits decreased £3,000, notes reserve decreased £1,971,000, Government securities unchanged. The proportion of reserve to liability is 38.81 per cent., as compared with 42.97 per cent. last week, against a decline from 55.82 to 52.65 per cent. in the corresponding week last year.

In Paris rentes closed at 103f 82½c, and exchange on London at 25f 31½c. The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows the following changes: Notes in circulation increased 184,075,000f, Treasury accounts current increased 21,925,000f; gold in hand decreased 5,425,000f, bills discounted increased 221,150,000f, silver in hand increased 1,300,000f.

Gold was quoted in Buenos Ayres at [illegible]

GOVERNMENT BONDS ADVANCE SHARPLY.

Government bonds showed buoyancy yesterday, the new 4s, coupon, selling up to 123. Final bids on Governments were at an advance of ¼ to ⅜ above those of yesterday. Bond brokers anticipate a large demand for Government securities immediately the Spanish complications are settled. They state that several interests having for sale large blocks of the new 4s a week ago have permanently withdrawn their offerings from the market.

GOLD FOR IMPORTATION.

Further gold engagements to the amount of $1,000,000 were announced yesterday. Of this $750,000 is for Lazard Frères and $250,000 for J. & W. Seligman & Co. Including this there has been engaged in and imported from Europe since Feb. 25 $38,180,000.

Sterling exchange advanced yesterday in response to the improved financial outlook and the easier tone in the money market. Sterling authorities continue to predict heavy gold imports within the next fortnight, although in some quarters there is a growing feeling that any decided improvement in the New York stock market and any consequent decline in money rates may temporarily check the import movement.

MONEY MARKET OPINIONS.

An increased demand for call money yesterday afternoon was responsible for an advance in the rate to 4 per cent. The demand was said to be due to the shifting of loans and to the arrangements for quarterly interest payments. It did not take long, however, to satisfy what demand there was, and the call money rate dropped back to 2 per cent. at the close of business. Some money market authorities have changed their views regarding higher rates for money, now believing that a settlement of the Cuban difficulties and the disappearance of fears of war will mean easier money than has been expected. In other banking quarters, however, it is thought that the speculative activity that is expected to follow the settlement of our diplomatic troubles will create in Wall Street sufficient demand to keep money market rates firm for some time. Sixty-day money is obtainable at 4½ per cent.

SUGAR TRUST ERRATIC.

Sugar Trust figured for about 120,000 shares in yesterday's market, and was the most erratic stock on the list. It sold as high as 121⅝ and as low as 118¼. The latter price was made for the second time shortly before the close. In the last five minutes, however, the stock rallied sharply, closing at 119 with a net loss of about 2 points for the day. The trading contingent was very active in Sugar Trust, covering stocks early in the day and putting them out again later. There was again much talk yesterday regarding the reported settlement of the Sugar Trust-Arbuckle difficulties, and it was also said that the Doscher interests are parties in that deal. As usual, there was no confirmation of these reports, but they were more generally credited than heretofore, because of the character of some of the buying of Sugar Trust stock, which made it appear that insiders were active in that direction.

GRANGERS UNDER PRESSURE.

The Granger stocks shared in the general weakness yesterday. St. Paul and Burlington were notably weak, both losing 1½ points net for the day. London was a seller of St. Paul, and Standard Oil brokers sold both that stock and Burlington. Chicago houses were also sellers of the Grangers. Boston interests bought heavily of Burlington, and the Boston wires stated that the announcement of the details of the Burlington refunding plan is only waiting for a more propitious time than the present. Rock Island was again the strongest of the Granger group, declining but fractionally. The stock was dealt in ex dividend. It sold as low as 85, but was the quickest of the group to rally, closing at 86⅝. Inside interests were steady buyers of Rock Island.

LONDON SOLD STOCKS.

London was a heavy seller of American stocks yesterday. Before the opening here London quotations were much lower, and in the first fifteen minutes of business on the New York Stock Exchange the arbitrage houses were sellers of all the active international stocks. The London selling was attributed to a belief abroad that the advance in the New York market has been too rapid, and also to Paris selling in the London market, it being option day on the Paris Bourse.

THE MONTH'S TRANSACTIONS.

Transactions in railroad and miscellaneous bonds on the Stock Exchange during the month just ended showed a decrease of nearly 50 per cent. as compared with the previous month. The total was $50,844,370, against $96,671,910 in February and $92,990,200 in January. As compared with March, 1897, however, there was an increase of $16,019,762.

Government bonds were more active than in either of the previous months of the year, the dealings aggregating $1,393,200, against $463,500 in February and $806,900 in January. In March, 1897, the sales were $1,096,900. State bonds also increased in activity, transactions amounting to $259,800, against $159,800 in February, $112,000 in January, and $212,500 in March, 1897.

The dealings in stocks during March were the heaviest so far this year, aggregating 9,947,661 shares, against 8,978,567 shares in February and 9,216,694 shares in January. The total for the month was nearly twice that of March, 1897, when the sales amounted to 5,065,620 shares.

Since Jan. 1 the transactions in bonds have aggregated $239,465,400, against $112,396,498 in the corresponding period last year, an increase of $127,068,902. In stocks the sales have amounted to 35,613,962, against 11,252,742 in 1897, an increase of 24,361,220 shares.

WESTERN ROADS AND LUMBER RATES.

There will be no war of lumber rates either from Chicago or the Northern pineries to points in the West. The Burlington has withdrawn unequivocally its announcement of a nine-cent rate from Chicago to Nebraska points, and the threatening clouds have blown over.

Two reasons are given for the change of front on the part of the Burlington. One of these came in the form of a veiled threat to reduce packing-house rates on the part of the Rock Island. This reduction the Burlington does not desire, and on the day originally fixed for the nine-cent lumber rate it postponed action until April 1. Whether this was on account of the position taken by the Rock Island does not appear, but it is said that it was.

Another reason given for the withdrawal of the threatening rate is that the roads of which the Burlington made complaint have restored rates to the authorized basis. This probably is true or the change of position would not have been made.

Of all things Northern and Western roads fear a lumber rate war most. Rates on Southern lumber are based upon charges from the Northern pineries, and when one falls the other must. Results, therefore, are usually very serious, and wars are not started unless there is serious cause. This time the Burlington gave notice that it would cut 6 cents off the rate from Chicago to Western points, because it had discovered that competitors were doing so secretly.

At the time the notice was given it was officially declared now that such action has been taken.—Chicago Times-Herald.

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Union Ferry bonds	102	104

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St. Paul Gas bonds	75	80
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Syracuse Gas stock	17	19
Syracuse Gas 1st 5 p. c. bonds	89	91
Western Gas Company	78	80
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Industrials.

American Bank Note	42	44
American Typefounders'	38	41
Barney & Smith common	16	18
Cramps' Shipyard stock	68	73
Glucose common	28	30½
Glucose preferred	91½	93
Herring-Hall-Marvin	¾	1½
Herring-Hall-Marvin preferred	6	9
Hecker-Jewell Milling pf.	43	45
Hecker-Jones-Jewell Milling bonds	91	92½
Lorillard Company pf.	114	117
Malt common	22½	23½
Malt preferred, ex dividend	71	73
Michigan-Peninsular Car	9	12
Michigan-Peninsular 5 p. c. bonds	84	89
National Biscuit common	22	24
National Biscuit pf.	78	80
Nicaragua Canal Con., new	6	8
Pennsylvania Coal	330	360
Pratt & Whitney	10	14
Pratt & Whitney pf.	59	69
Standard Oil Trust	370	372
Trenton Potteries	9	11
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Union Typewriter	6½	8
Union Typewriter 1st pf.	90	95
Union Typewriter 2d pf.	81	82½
Wagner Car Company	159½	161½
Worthington Pump pf.	87	88½

The Miscellaneous List.

Acker, Merrall & Condit bonds	96	100
American Waltham Watch Company	16	20
Central & South American Tel.	104	107
Commercial Cable stock	133	138
Hudson River Telephone stock	72	75
Iron Steamboat	2½	4¾
Iron Steamboat 6s	55	60
Electro-Pneumatic, ass't paid	1¼	1⅝
Madison Square Garden 2d	30	40
Metropolitan El., Chicago, 1st 5s	46	49
N. Y. & N. J. Telephone	140	145
Northwestern Telegraph Company	112	117
Trow Directory pf.	35	40
Wool Exchange	110	120

BULLION AND MINING.

Silver bullion certificates were quoted on the Stock Exchange at 55⅝@56⅛. No sales.

Bar silver in London, 25 11-16d per ounce.

Commercial price of bar silver, 55⅛c per ounce. Mexican silver dollars quoted at 45c.

The Mercantile Safe Deposit Company holds 353,029.44 ounces of silver bullion.

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Flour, Minnesota patents 4.25
Rye, No. 2 ..... .61
Barley, Northern, No. 1 foundry 1.75
Pork, mess 11.50
Beef, family 13.00
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Tallow, prime 3.00
Lard, prime 6.87½
Hops, crop of 1902 31-16
Butter, creamery, Western ..... .23½@30
Eggs, fresh ..... .18½@20
Potatoes, Garnet Chiles, per bbl. 2.50
Onions, per bbl. 1.75
Cabbage, per 100 ..... 3.00
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WOOL.

Current quotations of pulled wools, (scoured), based on "Wool Manual," 1902:
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...Leopold R. Tron has sold, for about $275,000, the eight-story business building 141 to 145 Wooster Street, 75 by 100.

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Only the most meagre details could be gathered concerning a good-sized sale effected by Holdridge & Ward. These brokers, while admitting that the transaction is closed, deny most of the reports published in regard to it, and are reticent beyond saying that the property involved is above Fifty-ninth Street and the amount between $375,000 and $400,000.

Mandelbaum & Lewine have sold to S. J. Ruth, for improvement, the old buildings 233 and 235 East Third Street, 45 by 98.

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The same broker has also sold for Frederick Aldebourg the four-story brownstone-front dwelling 854 St. Nicholas Avenue, 22 by 60 by 84.

In the Trinity Building Salesroom, yesterday, George R. Read sold, at public auction, to Julius Kude, for $5,100, the lot, Southern Boulevard, north side, 150 feet east of Willis Avenue, 25 by 100.

John N. Goulding sold, in foreclosure, to the plaintiff, Martha E. Ramsey, for $15,000, the four-story stone-front dwelling 178 West Seventy-sixth Street, 18 by 77.2.

D. Phoenix Ingraham & Co. sold, at public auction, to M. E. Stern, for $2,300, the four-story brick building 172 Sixth Avenue, 20.2 by 80, leasehold.

William Kennelly sold, in foreclosure, to the plaintiff, John Van Dolsen, for $8,400, the plot, Prospect Avenue, southeast side, 320 feet northeast of Tremont Avenue, 130 by 150.2, together with the plot, Prospect Avenue, east side, 265 feet south of Samuel Street, 66 by 150.

Strong & Ireland sold, in foreclosure, to the plaintiff, the Equitable Life Assurance Society, for $40,000, the five-story stone-front flat 315 West Fifty-eighth Street, 34.10 by 100.5.

Richard V. Harnett & Co. sold, in foreclosure, to the plaintiff, Annie Miller, for $11,400, the three-story brick dwelling 38 West One Hundred and Sixth Street, 16.10 by 100.11x.

Peter F. Meyer & Co. sold, in foreclosure, to L. Simpson, for $30,506, the four-story stone-front dwelling 2,036 Fifth Avenue, 20 by 85; also, in foreclosure, to the plaintiff, John H. Hudson, trustee, for $180,000, the five-story brick factory covering the block bounded by Ninth Avenue, Hudson, Thirteenth, and Fourteenth Streets, 170.10 by 5.6 by 185.1 by 70; also, in partition, to Peter Wolfe, for $22,950, the five-story brick flat 165 West One Hundred and Second Street, 24.11 by 97.4 by 26.9 by 97.2; also, in partition, to John G. Pape, for $23,100, the five-story brick flat 171 West One Hundred and Second Street, 25.1 by 96.11 by 25 by 96.10; also, in partition, to J. McDermott, for $400, the lot, Cornell Place, east side, 100 feet north of Rock Street, 25 by 100.

Thompson & Pryor sold, in foreclosure, to E. A. Wheaton, for $5,985, eight lots on the south side of Mosholu Avenue, 53 feet east of the Boulevard, each 25 by 167; also, to M. C. Prime, for $1,255, two lots, adjoining the foregoing on the east; also, to the plaintiff, Reuben R. Finch, for $300, one lot, adjoining the foregoing on the east.

No sales at auction are scheduled for today.

THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

List of Plans Filed for New Structures and Alterations.

West End Avenue, east side, 60 feet south of Eightieth Street, for a seven-story brick flat, 42.2 by 110; John Westervelt of 43 East Nineteenth Street, owner; Henry Anderson of 1,180 Broadway, architect; cost, $90,000.

No. 32 East Thirty-sixth Street, for a six-story brick dwelling, 25 by 76.10; J. P. Hamilton of 23 Wall Street, owner; G. A. Truman of 27 East Twentieth Street, architect; cost, $40,000.

No. 214 to 220 East Eighty-first Street, for four five-story brick flats, 25 by 85.10; Andrew Brase of 1 Madison Avenue, owner; Jobst Hoffmann of 247 West One Hundred and Tenth Street, architect; cost, $80,000.

Railroad Avenue, east side, 327 feet north of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth Street, for a two-story brick dwelling and stable, 28 by 77; Harry W. Bell of 19 Alexander Avenue, owner; W. C. Dickerson, architect; cost, $3,000.

Jefferson Street, north side, 149.4 feet east of Columbus Avenue, for two three-story frame tenements; Fred Bailey of 1,035 Forest Avenue, owner; Joseph E. Cocker of 678 East One Hundred and Forty-fourth Street, architect; cost, $13,000.

Third Avenue, west side, 110 feet south of One Hundred and Seventy-second Street, for two five-story brick flats, 25 by 71.9; Charles Trueman of 4 Convent Avenue, owner; H. T. Howell, architect; cost, $46,000.

One Hundred and Fifty-third Street, south side, 92 feet west of Elton Avenue, two five-story brick flats, 28.7 by 85.10; Henry Muhiker of 18 West One Hundred and Fourteenth Street, owner; R. R. Davis of 247 West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Street, architect; cost, $36,000.

Anthony Avenue, east side, 275 feet north of One Hundred and Sixty-first Street, for a two-story frame dwelling, 18 by 50; Henrietta Murphy of 2,789 Decatur Avenue, owner; F. D. Miller, architect; cost, $3,600.

Morris Park Avenue, south side, 25 feet east of Garfield Place, for a one-story frame store, 22 by 45; A. Leguori, owner; cost, $600.

Brown Avenue, west side, 400 feet north of Sagamore Street, for one-story and attic frame dwelling, 18 by 25; Joseph Newman of 1,613 Park Avenue, owner; Chris F. Lohse, architect; cost, $1,000.

One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Street, north side, 325 feet east of Willis Avenue, for 3 five-story brick flats, 25 by 85.3; John D. Hassinger of 173 East Ninety-fourth Street, owner; W. C. Dickerson, architect; cost, $60,000.

Alterations.

No. 165 West Twenty-ninth Street, to a two-story brick and frame stable; Sarah C. Newman, owner; Henry Anderson, architect; cost, $1,000.

No. 202 Waverley Place, to a three-story brick and frame dwelling, with store; Mrs. A. M. Doremus of 28 Charles Street, owner; J. S. Maher, architect; cost, $2,500.

Nos. 502 and 504 Water Street, to a two-story brick foundry; Miss Martha Hall of 45 Riverside Drive, owner; F. D. Merserian of 111 Fifth Avenue, architect; cost, $2,500.

No. 102 West Forty-first Street, to a three-story and basement brick dwelling; Louisa M. Gerry of Newport, R. I., owner; James F. Gavigan of 112 Broadway, architect; cost, $800.

No. 841 Broadway, to an eight-story brick warehouse; Broadway Improvement Company of 35 Wall Street, owner; Hitchings & Co., architects; cost, $400.

One Hundred and Sixty-second Street, corner of Eleventh Avenue, to a three-story and basement brick and frame dwelling; Henri Fouchaux, architect and owner; cost, $500.

Bainbridge Avenue, west side, 25 feet north of the Southern Boulevard, to a two-story and attic frame dwelling; Oswald Benedict, owner; W. C. Dickerson, architect; cost, $1,000.

Willis Avenue, west side, 50 feet south of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Street, to a five-story brick flat; William Cohn of 861 East One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Street, owner; G. A. Schlitzger, architect; cost, $500.

Recorded Real Estate Transfers.

Thursday, March 31.

ARTHUR AV, w s, north one-half part of Lot 58, map of property in Monterey, Dyer, Morris Heights; 25x100; Catharine Swift to Patrick Cahill.....Gift

HAWK ST, n w corner of 4th St, 40.11x70.3x42.2x72.8; James M. French and another to Jacob Kottek.....1

HERMAN PLACE, w s, 67 ft s of 204th St, 20x90; Matthew Kerrigan to Thomas Lewis.....1

HURLING SLIP, s s, 81 ft 10 alley, x 24.3x28.1x38; Amanda Bauch to Frederick J. Herzog.....$31,000

HURLING SLIP, s s, 105 ft 10 alley, w of Madison St, 24.3x28.1x38; Frederick J. Herzog to Augustus Bauch.....1

LEXINGTON AV, s s, 20.8 ft e of Madison St, 18.1x44.10 to New Brewery, x 38.4x39.10; David M. Koehler to Joseph Lilly.....1

MORRIS, Lewis G., as trustee, to Clara L. Skinner et al, Robert Matthews et al, Lily L. Skinner et al, Robert Matthews et al, Lily L. Skinner et al, Robert Matthews et al, Lily

...KEEPER ARRESTED.

...with Giving a Worthless ... for Beer and Whisky.

... G. Breckinridge of 214 West Four... Open April 30 to Nov. 1st. 25 miles from New ... York, on D., L. & W. R.R., via Barclay or ... Christopher St. Ferry. Altitude, 300 feet. Open ... for inspection now. Many improvements since ... last year. GEO. W. TUTTLE, Manager. ... Congressman Breckinridge of Ken... ... was arraigned in the Yorkville Po... ... Court yesterday charged with passing ... worthless check for $50, and was held for ... examination next Thursday. The com... ... Harry Crosier, a saloon keeper, ... that on Feb. 1 Breckinridge handed ... a check for $50, in payment for beer ... whisky delivered at the defendant's ... The check was drawn on the Gar... National Bank, and when Crosier ... ted it for payment he was told at ... bank that Breckinridge had closed his ... unt there. ... made a demand upon Breckinridge to ... him, and when the latter refused swore ... a warrant for his arrest.

FOR A NATIONAL UNIVERSITY.

Trustees of the George Washington Memorial Association Meet.

The Trustees of the George Washington Memorial Association, which was organized a year ago, met at the Marlborough Hotel yesterday to make arrangements for the next semi-annual meeting of the associa... Mrs. Ellen A. Richardson of Boston, the President, in speaking of the organiza... and its objects, said:

"Our object, first of all, is to promote a patriotic interest in the bequest made by President Washington for the establishment of a National university and to raise a fund for the erection of an administration build... for the university, the corner stone of which shall be laid on or near the one hun... anniversary of his bequest in its be...half."

She said that the association proposed to raise $250,000 for a memorial building, and if the university were not chartered on a broad and liberal basis by the time the fund was raised, the association would request Congress to rededicate to its original pur... the site which Washington set aside for such a university a hundred years ago.

Over 500 charter members were admitted to the association yesterday.

AUSTRIANS VISIT THE MAYOR.

The Commander of the Donau Court-eously Received.

Lieut. Ludwig Ridder von Hohnel, acting Captain of the Austrian warship Donau, now in the harbor, paid an official visit yesterday to Mayor Van Wyck. He was accompanied by Consul General Stockinger of Austria, who introduced him to the Mayor. The Mayor received his visitors with great cordiality, in marked contrast to the reception he accorded Capt. Eulate of the Spanish cruiser Vizcaya four weeks ago. He invited Lieut. von Hohnel and the Consul General to seats, and talked pleasantly with them for ten minutes.

The Austrian commander speaks English fluently. He told the Mayor that he had lately come from Havana, but he did not refer to the existing complications between Spain and the United States, nor to the destruction of the Maine, except to say how deeply he, in common with all other sailors, was grieved at the loss of so many brave seamen.

The Mayor told him of a visit he made to Austria not long ago, and spoke of the fine roads he had found there for bicycling. When Lieut. von Hohnel was about to depart the Mayor left his chair, shook hands with him, and invited him to call again before his ship left the port.

Double Blockade on the Bridge.

There was a double blockade on the bridge about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. On the land span of the north roadway at the Brooklyn side a car jumped the track and turned sideways, blocking wagons as well as cars. This caused a delay of twenty minutes before traffic was resumed. Shortly afterward a Gates Avenue car jumped the rails near the New York side and blocked the south roadway for about twenty minutes.

A Military Academy Assigns.

MOUNT HOLLY, N. J., March 31.—Prof. Richard F. Loss, proprietor of the Mount Holly Military Academy, has made an assignment. Lack of support is given as the reason for this action. Harry Cross is made assignee. He will not make public the estimated assets and liabilities until after he files his report.

THE UNITED SERVICE.

Army.

Transfers in the First Cavalry.—First Lieut. W. C. Rivers, from Troop D, to Troop I. First Lieut. George T. Langhorne, from Troop I, to Troop D.

The leave of absence granted First Lieut. James B. Hughes, Tenth Cavalry, is extended five days.

The following-named officers having completed the course of instructions at the United States Artillery School, Fort Monroe, Va., are relieved from further duty at the school: First Lieut. John L. Hayden, First Artillery; First Lieut. Richmond P. Davis, Second Artillery; First Lieut. Ernest Hinds, Second Artillery; First Lieut. Henry J. Lemly, Third Artillery; First Lieut. John C. McMahon, Fourth Artillery; First Lieut. Wilmot E. Ellis, Fourth Artillery; First Lieut. Edward T. Brown, Fifth Artillery; First Lieut. George W. Gatchell, Fifth Artillery; First Lieut. Priton C. March, Fifth Artillery; First Lieut. John K. Cree, Sixth Artillery; First Lieut. Elisha S. Benton, Seventh Artillery; Second Lieut. William J. Snow, First Artillery; Second Lieut. Frank S. Harris, First Artillery; Second Lieut. William Chamberlaine, First Artillery; Second Lieut. Leroy S. Lyon, Second Artillery; Second Lieut. Tiemann N. Horn, Second Artillery; Second Lieut. Edward J. Timberlake, Jr., Second Artillery; Second Lieut. Kenneth Morton, Third Artillery; Second Lieut. George H. McManus, Third Artillery; Second Lieut. Andrew Hero, Jr., Fourth Artillery; Second Lieut. Clarence C. Williams, Fourth Artillery. Lieut. Snow will proceed to Jackson Barracks, Louisiana, and report to the commanding officer of that post for duty with Battery D, First Artillery, and, excepting Lieuts. Lemly and March, the other officers named who are not already present with their batteries, or under orders to join them, will report for duty with their respective batteries without delay.

Navy.

Capt. C. D. Sigsbee is ordered to the Secretary's office as special aide to the Secretary, March 30.

Lieut. J. J. Blandin is ordered in charge of the branch hydrographic office at Baltimore, March 30.

Capt. Yates Stirling is ordered as a member of the Lighthouse Board March 30.

Lieut. R. Welles, Jr., is detached from the Vermont, March 30, and ordered to the Yosemite.

Chief Engineer W. N. Little is detached from the Franklin March 30 and ordered to the naval station at Key West.

Lieut. W. B. Whittlesey is detached from duty at Hartford March 30 and ordered as Inspector of Ordnance for Companies at Bridgeport.

Lieut. A. Ward is detached from the navy yard, New York, March 30, and ordered with the Wasp.

Lieut. J. L. Purcell is detached from the Vermont March 30 and ordered with the Osceola.

Lieut. J. Hood is ordered to New York with the Hawk March 30.

Lieut. W. H. H. Southerland is detached from the Dolphin March 30 and ordered with the Machias.

Ensign W. S. Crosley is detached from the Mayflower March 30 and ordered with the Algonquin.

Lieut. J. M. Helm is detached from the Albany March 30 and ordered with the Hornet.

Ensign W. Gherardi is detached from the Wheeling March 30 and ordered with the Albany.

Lieut. F. R. Brainard is detached from the Brooklyn March 30 and ordered with the Texas.

Movements of Naval Vessels.

The Wilmington arrived at Jacksonville March 30.

The Somers arrived at Pillau, Germany, March 31.

The Alice arrived at Norfolk March 31.

The Wheeling sailed from Port Angeles, for Seattle March 31.

The Columbia arrived at Fort Monroe March 31.

The Marietta arrived at Callao March 31.

The Columbia arrived at Hampton Roads March 31.

The Merrill arrived at Norfolk March 31.

Somerset Inn

EIGHT COTTAGES. BERNARDSVILLE, N. J. Open April 30 to Nov. 1st. 25 miles from New York, on D., L. & W. R.R., via Barclay or Christopher St. Ferry. Altitude, 300 feet. Open for inspection now. Many improvements since last year. GEO. W. TUTTLE, Manager.

GARDEN CITY HOTEL, GARDEN CITY, L. I. WILL OPEN APRIL 1ST.

WINTER RESORTS.

Atlantic City, N. J.

THE RUDOLF, Atlantic City, N. J. Directly on the beach; capacity 400; strictly first-class in all appointments; hot and cold sea water baths; café grotto with orchestra; dancing Wednesdays and Saturdays; send for booklet. CHAS. R. MYERS, Owner and Proprietor.

THE ISLESWORTH, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. Open all the year. Salt water baths. Thoroughly modern. Liberal management. A. G. McCLELLAN.

HOTEL CHAMPLAINE, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Kentucky Av., near beach; capacity 300; steam heat; sun parlor; elevator from street level; cuisine and service unsurpassed. Special Spring Rates, $3.00 from Saturday P. M. to Monday A. M. Tel. 376. C. EKIL/TON.

HOTEL TRAYMORE, Atlantic City, N. J. Homelike and cheerful. Rates the very lowest consistent with first-class service. D. S. WHITE, Jr., Owner and Proprietor.

LINDEN HALL, Atlantic City, N. J., Virginia Av. and beach; opens April 30; capacity, 350; steam heat; elevator; special Spring rates. M. C. ADAMS.

THE RICHMOND, Kentucky Av., Atlantic City, N. J.—80 yards from the beach; steam heat, elevator, sun parlors; write for items and booklet. J. D. PEASE.

THE NORWOOD—Kentucky Av., 100 feet from Beach. Steam Heat. Rates, $1.50 to $2.00 per day; $8 to $12 weekly. F. ALEWELT.

KENILWORTH INN.—Reopens Feb. 10th. Atlantic City, N. J. Steam heat; sun parlor; elevator to ground floor. T. E. GOULD.

INSTRUCTION.

A Former Government Official desires a few men to coach for coming examination for position; United States Customs Inspector; success guaranteed. Address "Inspector," 236 Union St., Jersey City.

PREPARATORY GYMNASTIC TRAINING FOR young men intending to enter West Point or Annapolis can be had by addressing OTTO SCHERINI, D. G., care Dr. Guernsey, 180 Central Park South, New York City.

INSTRUCTION—DANCING.

COLUMBIA DANCING ACADEMY, COR. 59TH St. and 5th Av.—Private and class lessons; afternoon and evenings; waltz guaranteed in private lessons and with music, $5.00; circulars.

BOARDERS WANTED.

43D ST., 20 EAST.—Desirable second floor; also other rooms; with board; references exchanged.

FURNISHED ROOMS.

A PRIVATE FAMILY WILL RENT BACK parlor, with extension, (use of front parlor,) as office for physician or dentist; house near Central Park and 86d St. "I," Station; another room if desired. M. L., Box 198 Times Office.

418T ST.—Attractively furnished parlor floor in woman's clubhouse. Apply President, 15 West 42d St., second floor.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALES.

Chambermaids.

CHAMBERMAID and WAITRESS.—By young girl; private family; willing to make herself generally useful. 61 Bank St., rear.

Companions.

COMPANION.—Wanted by young lady of good position and training a situation as companion; highest testimonials. Address, by letter, L. R. C., 26 East 38th St.

Cooks.

COOK and LAUNDRESS.—By young woman as good plain cook and laundress; small private family; references. Box 277, Times Up-town Office, 1,269 Broadway.

COOK and LAUNDRESS.—By young woman as good plain cook and laundress. 671 8th Av., Fitzsimmons's bell.

COOK and LAUNDRESS.—By good cook; excellent baker; fine laundress; free after April 1. Present employer, 11 Livingston Place.

COOK.—Thoroughly competent; English; Protestant; town or country; city reference. E. H., 220 East 25th St. Ring twice.

Dressmakers.

DRESSMAKER.—Expert fitter, trimmer; by the day; formerly with Connoly; reference. Dressmaker, 240 East 79th St.

Lady's Maids.

MAID and SEAMSTRESS.—By competent North German girl; will go out as maid and seamstress or nurse; best city references. E. D., Box 69, 1,242 Broadway.

Laundresses.

LAUNDRESS.—By a first-class laundress in a private family; three years' reference. 822 East 31st St.

LAUNDRESS.—By first-class French laundress to take fine lady's washing at home. J. Corado, 117 West 26th St.

LAUNDRESS.—Woman wants situation as laundress in private family; first-class reference; wages, $25. 686 8d Av.

Nurses.

NURSE.—By competent infant's nurse; well recommended; city reference. Anna McMahon, Box 884, 1,269 Broadway.

Parlormaids.

PARLORMAID.—By Protastant girl as parlormaid. 167 East 33d St., care of Mrs. Moore. Fourth floor.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALES.

Butlers.

BUTLER.—By respectable colored man; four years best city reference. W. P., 40 West 67th St.

BUTLER.—Lady wishes to recommend honest, reliable and competent Frenchman as butler and valet. Ambiard, 162 West 32d St.

Caretakers.

CARETAKER.—By a respectable man and wife to take care of a house for a private family; no children; references from the best families. Caretaker, Box 820, 1,227 Broadway.

Chefs.

CHEF.—Able to manage any kind of kitchen; best references. Competent, 270 West 23d St.

Coachmen.

COACHMAN.—By experienced, respectable, middle-aged man; city or country; careful, stylish driver; A1 reference from first-class families as to good moral habits and ability, particularly last employer, S. M. Meeker, Esq., counselor at law, 12 Broadway, Brooklyn.

COACHMAN.—A gentleman wishes a situation for his coachman, whom he can recommend as thoroughly competent and trustworthy. I., 52 East 34th St.

COACHMAN.—By a young man as coachman; knows his business; best city reference; city or country. J. Talbert, Box 268, 1,269 Broadway.

COACHMAN.—First-class; disengaged on account of death; references from three of the best families in New York. Hay, 43 East 50th St.

COACHMAN.—Trustworthy; first-class reference. Apply at residence of employer, 14 East 58th St.

Gardeners.

GARDENER.—A gentleman wishes to recommend an experienced and responsible gardener; married; small family; thoroughly understands flowers, vegetables; can take entire charge of gentleman's place. C. M., Box 153, Times Office.

GARDENER.—Married; one child; thoroughly understands growing cut flowers, vegetables, and general management of gentleman's place; excellent references. M. M., Box 124, Times Office.

Useful Men.

USEFUL MAN.—Understands care of silver, &c., gentlemen's clothes, furnace; can assist in garden and stable. Present employer, 11 Livingston Place.

USEFUL MAN.—By young Swede as useful man in private family; first-class city references. Ernst Delin, care Silverthorne, 417 7th Av.

HELP WANTED—FEMALES.

WANTED—A useful maid; must be a very good seamstress; Protestant. Call at 26 East 48th St., Friday or Saturday, 10 to 12; must have good reference.

HELP WANTED—MALES.

WANTED—An efficient confidential secretary and stenographer in large law office; permanent place; good salary; no person need apply without unquestioned references, and considerable steady employment in some office; must write good hand; no heed to casual applications. H., Box 158, Times Office.

WANTED—A young man of enterprise and ability to solicit advertisements for a leading New York paper. A., Box 101 Times Office.

SUBURBAN OPPORTUNITIES.

$4.00.—FARMER WANTED TO START A ... business; ... commission; ... having a large acquaintance preferred. C. F. V., Box R, 1,242 Broadway.

REFEREES' NOTICES.

NEW YORK SUPREME COURT.—J. HERBERT CARPENTER and another, Trustees, &c., plaintiffs, against JAMES T. BARRY and others, defendants.—Action No. 1.

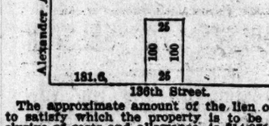
In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale made and entered in the above-entitled action and bearing date the 21st day of March, 1898, I, the undersigned, the referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction at the New York Real Estate Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on the 18th day of April, 1898, at 12 o'clock noon of that day, by Peter F. Meyer, auctioneer, the premises in said judgment mentioned and described therein as follows:

All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land, with the building and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying, and being in the City of New York, and bounded and described as follows, viz.: Beginning at a point in the northerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Street distant two hundred and six (206) feet and six (6) inches easterly from the northeasterly corner of said street and Alexander Avenue, running thence northerly and parallel with Alexander Avenue, and part of the way through a party wall one hundred (100) feet to the centre line of the block; thence easterly and along the centre line of the block twenty-five (25) feet; thence southerly and again parallel with Alexander Avenue one hundred (100) feet to the northerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Street; and thence westerly along the same, twenty-five (25) feet to the point or place of beginning.—Dated New York, March 23d, 1898.

ELBERT CRANDALL, Referee.

W. B. & G. F. CHAMBERLIN, Plaintiffs' Attorneys, 31 Nassau Street, New York.

The following is a diagram of the premises described in the foregoing notice of sale, and known as No. 397 East 136th Street:



The approximate amount of the lien or charge to satisfy which the property is to be sold, inclusive of costs and allowance, is $14,971.49, with interest thereon from March 11th, 1898. The approximate amount of the taxes, assessments, and water rates, with interest to the date fixed for sale is $280.00.

ELBERT CRANDALL, Referee.

W. B. & G. F. CHAMBERLIN, Plaintiffs' Attorneys, 31 Nassau Street, New York.

NEW YORK SUPREME COURT.—J. HERBERT CARPENTER and another, trustees, &c., plaintiffs, against JAMES T. BARRY and others, defendants.—Action No. 2.

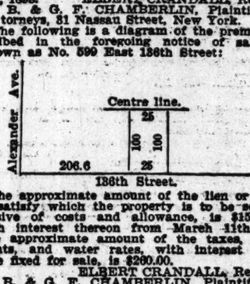
In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale made and entered in the above-entitled action, and bearing date the 21st day of March, 1898, I, the undersigned, the referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction, at the New York Real Estate Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on the 18th day of April, 1898, at 12 o'clock noon of that day, by Peter F. Meyer, auctioneer, the premises in said judgment mentioned and described therein as follows:

All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land, with the buildings thereon erected, situate, lying, and being in the City of New York, and bounded and described as follows, viz.: Beginning at a point on the southerly side of One Hundred and Tenth Street, distant two hundred and thirty-four feet westerly from the southwesterly corner of said street and Fifth Avenue (formerly Fourth) Avenue; thence running southerly parallel with said avenue one hundred feet eleven inches to the centre line of the block; thence westerly along said centre line twenty-one feet; thence northerly, again parallel with Fifth (formerly Fourth) Avenue, one hundred feet eleven inches to the southerly side of One Hundred and Tenth Street, and thence easterly along said street twenty-one feet to the point or place of beginning.—Dated New York, March 28th, 1898.

DONALD McLEAN, Referee.

WALLACH & COOK, Attorneys for Plaintiff, 33 Wall Street, Borough of Manhattan, N. Y. City.

The following is a diagram of the premises described in the foregoing notice of sale, known as Number 60 East 110th Street.



No. 60 East 110th St.

The approximate amount of the lien or charge to satisfy which the property is to be sold is as follows: Amount due plaintiff on mortgage mentioned in the complaint, $10,358.33, with interest thereon from March 23d, 1898; costs and allowance, $343; expenses of sale, about $150; annual taxes for 1896, $160.50, with interest; annual taxes for 1897, $157.50, with interest; water rates for 1896, $25.86, with interest; water rates for 1897, $25.35, with interest. The above amounts are stated approximately pursuant to Rule 14 of the Supreme Court, First Department.—Dated New York, March 28th, 1898.

DONALD McLEAN, Referee.

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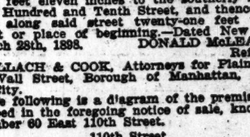
NEW YORK SUPREME COURT.—County of New York.—WALTER F. KINGSLAND, plaintiff, against KARL M. WALLACH and others, defendants.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale duly made and entered in the above-entitled action, and bearing date the first day of March, 1898, I, the undersigned referee in the said judgment named, will sell at public auction, at the New York Real Estate Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City and County of New York, Borough of Manhattan, on the thirteenth day of April, 1898, at twelve o'clock noon of that day, by Philip A. Smyth, auctioneer, the premises in said judgment mentioned and therein described, as follows: All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land, with the buildings thereon erected, situate, lying, and being in the City, County, and State of New York, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a point where the southerly line of One Hundred and Second Street intersects the westerly line of Second Avenue, thence running westerly along the southerly line of One Hundred and Second Street seventy-five (75) feet, thence running southerly on a line parallel with Second Avenue twenty-five (25) feet eleven (11) inches, thence running easterly on a line parallel with One Hundred and Second Street and part of the distance through the centre of a party wall seventy-five (75) feet to the westerly side of Second Avenue; thence northerly along the westerly side of Second Avenue twenty-five (25) feet eleven (11) inches to the point or place of beginning. Together with all the right, title, and interest of the said parties of the first part named in the mortgage described in the complaint in and to the street and avenue in front of and adjoining said premises.—Dated New York, March 17th, 1898. RICHARD H. CLARKE, Referee.

HENRY F. MILLER, Plaintiff's Attorney, 44 Pine Street, New York City.

102d Street.



No. 1983 Second Ave.

The approximate amount of the lien or charge to satisfy which the property is to be sold is as follows: Amount due plaintiff on mortgage mentioned in the complaint, $10,358.33, with interest thereon from March 23d, 1898; costs and allowance, $343; expenses of sale, about $150; annual taxes for 1896, $160.50, with interest; annual taxes for 1897, $157.50, with interest; water rates for 1896, $25.86, with interest; water rates for 1897, $25.35, with interest. The above amounts are stated approximately pursuant to Rule 14 of the Supreme Court, First Department.—Dated New York, March 28th, 1898.

DONALD McLEAN, Referee.

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"All the News That's Fit to Print."

NEWS OF THE REAL ESTATE MARKET.

SUPREME COURT, HAMILTON COUNTY. Hamilton Trust Company of New York, Plaintiff, against Frederick Der Gross and others, Defendants.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale, made on the 27th day of December, 1897, entered in the office of the Clerk of Hamilton County on the 30th day of January, 1898, and docketed in said County on the 31st day of January, 1898, I will sell at public auction, at Morley's Lake Pleasant Inn, in the Village of Lake Pleasant, County of Hamilton, State of New York, on the 25th day of April, 1898, at 12 o'clock noon, all the right, title, and interest of the Defendant, the Hamilton Park Company, at the date of the mortgage foreclosed, May 1st, 1889, and any right, title, and interest which it may thereafter have acquired, in and to each several parcel of the mortgaged premises described in the complaint in this action, and in said decree hereinbefore referred to, and as hereinafter set forth, upon the following terms and conditions:

TERMS OF SALE.

The sale will include simply the right, title, and interest of the Defendant, the Hamilton Park Company, at the date of the mortgage foreclosed, May 1st, 1889, and any right, title, and interest which it may thereafter have acquired, in and to each several parcel of the mortgaged premises hereinafter described.

The sale of the said property shall be subject to all liens prior to the lien of said mortgage, and the undersigned, the Referee, will not pay out of the proceeds of sale any taxes, assessments, water-rates, or other liens upon the property sold, nor redeem said property sold from any sales for unpaid taxes, assessments, water-rates, or other liens.

The undersigned, the Referee, will first, in the order as hereinafter described, offer for sale the property in separate lots. No bids received for the property so offered for sale in separate lots shall be received on condition that all the property so offered for sale in separate lots shall subsequently be offered together as a single lot or parcel. The highest bids received for the separate lots so offered for sale will be noted by said Referee.

Whenever the highest bids received and noted for the separate lots so offered for sale shall amount in the aggregate to a sum which shall be sufficient to pay the whole amount then due for principal and interest on all the then outstanding and unpaid bonds secured by said mortgage, together with all proper expenses of selling and completing such sale, and all costs of this cause, and all proper allowances, compensation, and disbursements which may be allowed by the court to any parties or their counsel, or to the undersigned, said Referee, and all expenses and charges which may be incurred or created by the trustee in the administration of the trust, then the undersigned, said Referee, will offer no more of such parcels for sale in separate lots as aforesaid.

After noting the highest bids received for the property offered for sale in separate lots the undersigned, said Referee, shall offer the same for sale together as a single lot or parcel.

If the highest bid for all such property when offered together as a single lot or parcel shall exceed the aggregate of the said highest bids received and noted for said property when offered in separate lots as aforesaid, then all such property shall be struck off and sold together as a single lot or parcel to the person making the highest bid therefor; but if the highest bid received for such property when offered together as a single lot or parcel shall not exceed the aggregate sum of the several highest bids received and noted for such property when offered in separate lots as aforesaid, then the several separate lots offered for sale shall be struck off and sold to the bidders who made the highest bids therefor.

The undersigned, said Referee, will receive no bid from any one offering to bid for parcels of land herein described as Tracts I., II., III., IV., and V. who shall not first deposit with him the sum of $500 in money, or in certified check upon any national bank.

The undersigned, said Referee, will receive no bid from any one offering to bid on parcel hereinafter described as Tract VI. who shall not first deposit with him the sum of $1,000 in money or in certified check upon any national bank.

The undersigned, said Referee, will receive no bid from any one offering to bid for the parcels offered as a whole, whichever parcels they may be, who shall not first deposit with him the sum of $2,000, in money or in certified check upon any national bank.

The above deposits are required as a pledge that the respective bidders will make good his or their bids in case of acceptance.

Upon the acceptance of any bid for any parcels, respectively known as Tracts Nos. I., II., III., IV., and V., the purchaser shall forthwith and within one week thereafter, deposit with the Union Trust Company of New York, subject to the order of said Referee, the sum of $5,000, in cash or by certified check upon any national bank.

Upon the acceptance of any bid for the parcels offered as a whole the purchaser shall forthwith and within one week thereafter deposit with the Union Trust Company of New York, subject to the order of said Referee, the sum of $7,000, in cash or by certified check upon any national bank.

Any deposits may also be previously been deposited by the successful bidder as a pledge that he will make good his bid shall be received on account of the amount so required of him on the acceptance of his bids.

In case any bidder or purchaser shall fail to make good his bid upon its acceptance by the undersigned, said Referee, or shall fail after such acceptance to comply with the terms of sale as to the passing of title, the payment of the purchase price, or otherwise, or shall fail to comply with the terms of the said decree hereinbefore referred to, or with any order of the court relative to the consummation of the purchase, then the sums in cash deposited by such purchaser or purchasers, as hereinbefore provided, shall be forfeited as a penalty for such failure, and shall be applied toward the expenses of a resale and toward making good any deficiency or loss in case the property shall be sold at a less price upon resale.

The purchaser shall pay to the undersigned, the said Referee, at the office of Miller, Peckham & Dixon, No. 80 Broadway, in the City of New York, within fifteen days after said sale, when the said Referee's deed will be ready for delivery, such other payment or payments in cash on account of the purchase price bid as the court may direct; the balance of the purchase price, not required to be paid in cash, may either be paid in cash, or the purchaser may satisfy the same by making good the bid of his bid, in whole or in part, by turning in at the same time and place, to be cancelled or credited as hereinafter provided, bonds and coupons, to be paid out of the proceeds of sale upon distribution thereof, and such purchaser shall be credited therefor on account of the purchase price all such sums as would be payable on such bonds and coupons out of the proceeds of sale if the whole amount of the purchase price were paid in cash.

The court reserves the right to resell the property, upon such notice as the court shall direct, in case the purchaser shall fail or omit to make any payment on account of any unpaid balance of the purchase price within thirty days after proper demand made upon said purchaser therefor, or within thirty days after the entry of an order requiring such payment.

The biddings will be kept open after the property is struck down, and in case any purchaser shall fail to comply with any of the above conditions of sale, the premises so struck down to him will be again put up for sale under the direction of the undersigned, said Referee, under the same terms of sale, without application to the court, unless the plaintiff's attorneys so elect to make such application; and such purchaser will be held liable for any deficiency there may be between the sums for which said premises shall be struck down upon the sale and the sums at which they may be purchased on the resale, and also for any costs or expenses accruing on such resale.

Where reference is made herein to the sale of "tracts or parcels of land," it is understood that such term refers simply to the right, title, and interest of the defendant, the Hamilton Park Company, on the 1st day of May, 1889, the date of said mortgage foreclosed, and any right, title, and interest which it may thereafter have acquired, in and to such parcel or parcels of land.

The following is a description of said mortgaged premises hereinbefore mentioned:

All those certain tracts, pieces, or parcels of land and territory situated in the County of Hamilton, and State of New York, and bounded and described as follows, viz.:

TRACT I.

All that certain tract or parcel of land and territory described as being four thousand nine hundred (4,900) acres, or thereabout, and shown on a map made by M. R. Sutton, Surveyor, be the same several dimensions on said map set forth more or less, lying in a square (as near as may be) in the northwest corner of the northwest quarter of Township Number thirty-five (35) of Totten & Crossfield's (or Jessup's) Purchase, lying in the County of Hamilton (formerly Montgomery County) in the State of New York; being the same tract of land or premises conveyed to Margaret L. Woodruff by John D. Clute, by deed dated November 6th, 1875, and recorded in the office of the Clerk of the County of Hamilton on March 2d, 1880, in Book No. 13 of Deeds at pages 414 et seq., and being the same premises conveyed to the said Clute by James Robertson and others, Trustees of the Bank of the United States, as described and set forth in said deed of conveyance, dated November 28th, 1849, and recorded in the office of the Clerk of the County of Hamilton in Book No. 3 of Deeds at page 223.

And being the same premises conveyed by Elinor Woodruff and Margaret L. Woodruff to James I. Healey by deed dated April 30th, 1888, and recorded in the office of the Clerk of the County of Hamilton November 28th, 1888, in Book No. 20 of Deeds at page 258, and thereafter conveyed by James I. Healey and Adela D. Healey, his wife, to the Hamilton Park Company, by deed dated May 22d, 1888, and recorded in the office of the Clerk of Hamilton County on the 28th day of November, 1888, in Book 20 of Deeds at page 267.

TRACT II.

All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land situated in the northwest quarter of Township thirty-five (35) in Hamilton County, State of New York, and shown on a map made by M. R. Sutton, Surveyor, be the same several dimensions on said map set forth more or less, being bounded in a deed dated October 14th, 1858, made by Abner Benedict and wife to John D. Clute, and recorded in the office of the Clerk of Hamilton County October 20th, 1858, in Book 5 of Deeds at page 604, as follows:

"All that piece of land situated on the north shore of Racquette Lake in Township Number thirty-five (35) of Totten and Crossfield's Purchase, in Hamilton County, State of New York, bounded as follows: Beginning at a point on the northerly shore of said lake distant twenty (20) chains westerly in a straight line from the northerly end of the bridge crossing the outlet of said lake, and running thence north to the southerly boundary of lands now owned by said Clute; thence southwesterly along said southerly boundary of said Clute's lands to the westerly boundary of said Township thirty-five (35); thence southerly along said last-named boundary to the northerly shore of said lake, and thence along the shore to the place of beginning, be the quantity more or less contained therein."

Being the same premises conveyed by Elinor Woodruff and Margaret Woodruff to James I. Healey by deed dated April 30th, 1888, and recorded in the office of the Clerk of Hamilton County on the 28th day of November, 1888, in Book of Deeds No. 20 at page 258, and conveyed by the said James I. Healey and Adela D. Healey, his wife, to the Hamilton Park Company by deed dated May 22d, 1888, and recorded in the office of the Clerk of Hamilton County, on November 28th, 1888, in Book 20 of Deeds at page 267.

This tract being the same tract described in and conveyed by two certain deeds of quit-claim as follows: One made by Elinor Woodruff and Margaret Woodruff to James I. Healey, dated 19th day of April, 1888, and recorded in the office of the Clerk of Hamilton County on the 28th day of November, 1888, in Book 20 of Deeds at page 264; and the second made by James I. Healey and Adela D. Healey, his wife, to the Hamilton Park Company, dated the 22d day of May, 1888, and recorded on the 28th day of November, 1888, in the office of the Clerk of the County of Hamilton in Book 20 of Deeds at page 272.

TRACT III.

All that certain undivided one-quarter interest of a lot of land known and described as lot No. ninety-seven (97) in Township twenty-one (21), in Hamilton County, New York State, said lot containing two hundred (200) acres or thereabout, and being a portion of the lands granted by the State of New York to Alexander Macomb, as per letters patent dated October 22d, 1791, and recorded in the office of the Secretary of State in Albany, in Book No. 6 of Patents at page 448, with all the appurtenances pertaining.

Being the same property conveyed by Elliot Woodruff and Margaret Woodruff to James I. Healey by deed dated April 30th, 1888, and recorded in the office of the Clerk of Hamilton County on the 28th day of November, 1888, in Book 20 of Deeds at page 258.

TRACT IV.

All that certain tract, piece, or parcel of land situated in the County of Hamilton and State of New York, known and described as follows:

Totten & Crossfield's Purchase, Township thirty-six (36).

Two thousand one hundred and forty (2,140) acres, more or less, being all that remains of that part of the southwest one-quarter of the Township not covered by water after excepting therefrom three hundred and twenty (320) acres Literature lands therein. Two thousand eight hundred and forty (2,840) acres, more or less, being the undivided one-half of the remainder of said southwest one-quarter on which taxes were paid by Mrs. Sarah T. Russell; and seven hundred and ten (710) acres more or less, being the undivided one-eighth of said remainder, on which taxes were paid by the Bank of Lansingburg, New York, or Alexander Walsh, Cashier.

Being the same tract of land conveyed by Edward Wemple, Comptroller of the State of New York, to Clara E. Durant, by deed dated 20th day of March, 1888, and recorded in the office of the Clerk of the County of Hamilton, and conveyed by the said Clara E. Durant and Frederick C. Durant, her husband, to the Hamilton Park Company, by deed dated 1889.

TRACT V.

All those certain tracts, pieces, or parcels of land, situated in the County of Hamilton, known and described as follows, viz.:

Totten & Crossfield's Purchase, Township 35.

Nine hundred and six and one-half (906½) acres, being the following described parcels:

1. Five hundred and forty-one (541) acres east end of six hundred and fifty-one acres (651) south part of all that remains of the northwest one-quarter of the township after excepting therefrom the Gospel and School lands therein.

2. Three hundred and sixty-five and one-half (365½) acres undivided one-half of seven hundred and thirty-one acres east end of all that remains of said northwest quarter after excepting therefrom the Gospel and School lands therein, on which taxes were not paid by Sarah T. Russell.

TRACT VI.

All that certain tract or parcel of land situate, lying, and being in the County of Hamilton and State of New York, known and described as follows:

Totten & Crossfield's Purchase, Township thirty-six (36).

Twenty thousand nine hundred and forty-five acres (20,945), more or less, being all not under water of all that remains of the Township after excepting therefrom two hundred and eighty (1,280) acres Gospel, School and Literature lots, and one thousand (1,000) acres in the northwest one-quarter of the Township, bounded: Beginning at the most northeast corner of a one thousand (1,000) acre tract of State land, in the northwest quarter of the Township, selected and located by the Sacrandaga Harbor and Saratoga Railroad Company; thence south twenty-nine (29) degrees east along the east boundary of said selected one thousand (1,000) acre tract, forty-eight (48) chains fifty-five (55) links; thence north sixty-one (61) degrees east one hundred and twenty-seven (127) chains seventy (70) links (running into the Nine Mile Pond thirteen (13) chains); thence north twenty-nine (29) degrees west fifty-eight (58) chains to the north shore of the Township; thence westerly along said Township line to the place of beginning.

And also all the franchises, privileges, rights, and liberties belonging or appertaining to the said company.

ALBERT RATHBONE, Referee.

Dated Albany, N. Y., February 1st, 1898.

Miller, Peckham & Dixon, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 80 Broadway, New York City.

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SURROGATE NOTICES.

RENAULT, CLEMENCE AUGUSTINE ALINE.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against CLEMENCE AUGUSTINE ALINE RENAULT, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, at the office of Hicks & Greenbaum, No. 35 Nassau Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of October next.—Dated New York, the 11th day of March, 1898. SAMUEL C. WOLFENSTEIN, SAMUEL BROOM, Executors. HAYS & GREENBAUM, Attorneys for Executors, No. 35 Nassau Street, New York City. mh11-1aw6mF

TRAVELERS' GUIDE—SHIPPING.

WHITE STAR LINE.

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Lucania, April 9, 8 A

RAPID TRANSIT PROGRESS

Form of Contract for the Underground Road Reported and Sent to Corporation Counsel.

HIS APPROVAL IS REQUIRED

Terms to be Offered to the Manhattan Railway in Connection with the Proposed Franchises Modified—Controller Coler Is Not Ready to Vote.

The Rapid Transit Commission held a meeting yesterday, which was attended by all the Commissioners excepting Charles Stewart Smith, who is in Europe, and Mayor Van Wyck. Controller Coler arrived after Secretary Delafield had informed him by telephone that the board was in session and awaiting his pleasure.

Shortly after the meeting opened the Committee on Contract presented the seven proposed forms of grants of franchises to the Manhattan Railway Company in their perfected shape. Mr. Starin, on behalf of the committee, reported that the committee had reached a conclusion that, in view of the great value of some of the franchises, especially the City Hall branch crossing Broadway, and the West Street line, the Manhattan Company ought not to be at liberty to accept such franchises separately upon the terms now proposed for them, unless the city shall at the same time secure the relief proposed by the other franchises.

Terms Made Easy for Manhattan.

The terms of the franchises most attractive to the Manhattan Company had been made easy, he said, in the hope that the company would also undertake those it may deem to be less attractive. The board should, however, be prepared to consider the grant upon proper terms to the Manhattan Railway Company of any one or more of the seven franchises now proposed without requiring the acceptance of others. If any of the seven be rejected the board, upon learning from the Manhattan Railway Company which of them it is willing to accept, should promptly notify the company what changes are proposed in the terms of the franchise or the franchises to be accepted in view of the unwillingness of the company to undertake a more general treatment of the problem.

Mr. Starin further reported that to the extent above specified the committee desired to modify its former recommendation.

No vote was taken on the question of the franchises, and it was learned after the meeting that it had been understood between the Commissioners that no vote should be taken. Mr. Coler announced that he had received from his engineer a report upon the technical and engineering features of the franchises, and that he was beginning to understand them, declaring further that the report held them all to be feasible. He said, however, that he had not had time to study the financial issues involved, and for that reason he was not prepared to vote on the franchises.

None of the Commissioners would say what caused the Committee on Contract to modify its former decision, in which it offered to grant the Manhattan Company the franchises either separately or together, beyond the reasons stated in Mr. Starin's report, and the fact that a delegation from the annexed district had appeared to urge upon the board the importance of extensions in their district, as compared with the extension proposed through the City Hall branch, which latter would be of greater benefit to the Manhattan Company.

To Protect Bronx Interests.

It was thought, however, that, as the Manhattan Company would gladly accept the City Hall franchise for the sake of the increased revenue, but would most probably reject the other franchises in the upper part of the borough of the Bronx, the material benefits of which to the company would be uncertain, some modification in the grants of the franchises was necessary. It was made, therefore, it is believed, for purpose of protecting the interests of the residents of the Bronx. Mr. Coler would not discuss the subject, saying that he would have to make a careful investigation of the financial issues before deciding to vote, and that, in consequence of the stress of business with which he has to contend, would take some time.

Commissioner Rives presented a report signed by himself and Mr. Orr upon the form of contract for the construction and operation of the underground railway, and moved that the draft of the contract be transmitted to the Corporation Counsel with the request that he examine and approve the same as required by the statute as speedily as possible. The motion was carried unanimously.

As printed, the form of contract, with annexed invitation to contractors, form of bid, form of bonds, &c., comprises about 200 octavo pages, and is divided into three chapters "General," "Agreement for Construction," and "The Lease."

Provision for the Bonds.

The first chapter, after some general provisions and definitions of words and phrases used in the contract, provides for the security to be given by the contractor. This is to consist of a deposit of $1,000,000 in cash or in approved securities, as required by the rapid transit act; also of an accompanying bond for $1,000,000 to secure all the obligations under the contract, including payment of rent under the lease; also a bond for $14,000,000 additional to secure the construction and equipment of the road. These two bonds are in the forms required by the stipulation exacted by the Supreme Court. The contract also, following the language of the act, provides for the city's lien on the equipment to be furnished by the contractor and contains provisions for the remedies to be pursued by the city in the event of the contractor's default, either before or after the completion of the road and its equipment.

The agreement for construction, following the general form of contracts for city work, provides that the contractor at his own cost and expense, and in strict conformity with all the provisions of the contract, will furnish all the materials and labor necessary to build the road and will provide a complete equipment of the road according to the definition contained in the act and in the specifications. The price to be paid for construction is left blank in the contract as submitted, and will be fixed only when bids are received.

A Board of Arbitration.

Provisions are made for inspection by the board, and all work and materials are required to be subject to the approval of the engineers employed by the board; but in order to prevent injustice to either party, there are full provisions for an appeal to be taken from any determination of the engineer to a Board of Arbitration. The Board of Arbitration is to consist of one person nominated by the Rapid Transit Board, and one nominated by the arbitrator, and if they cannot agree an umpire is to be appointed by the Executive Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, or (if such committee fails to act) by the Executive Committee of the Bar Association of the City of New York. Upon the joint request of both parties the Chamber of Commerce or Bar Association may from time to time nominate a standing umpire or a standing board of three experts to act as umpires.

Work is to be begun on the road within thirty days after the execution of the contract, and is to be completed within four years, certain legal delays and delays from strikes alone excepted. The contract provides, however, that no work shall be done upon the west side north of One Hundred and Eighty-fifth Street, or upon the east side east of Third Avenue, except upon the further order of the board, which is only to be given when the board is satisfied that there is no probability that the cost of the railroad will exceed the amount payable to the contractor for construction. In case of unexcused delay by the contractor 2 per cent a month after the time fixed for completion is to be deducted from all payments for work thereafter performed.

Acquisition of Real Estate.

The city is to conduct all proceedings necessary to acquire real estate either for the construction of the road or for terminals or for power houses, &c. The contractor is to be paid monthly, without deduction, such a percentage of the total price as the board may certify to during the preceding month.

Two hundred and fifty-nine sheets of drawings accompany the contract, explanatory of the detailed specifications which under twenty-four different heads provide for the mode of construction.

The contractor is to furnish the names of all sub-contractors to the board, and he shall, upon request, enter into such contracts in the course of construction as may be deemed necessary to do away with additions or walls of adjacent buildings, and to assume any damage that may be done to abutting property by the method by which the construction is to be done, but not including damage arising from proper construction or the reasonable use of the streets during construction.

The Lease and Rental.

By the terms of the lease the city lets the railroad to the contractor for a period of fifty years from completion. The committee has fixed the rental at such an amount as shall be equal to the interest paid by the city on the cost of the road, together with an additional percentage for a sinking fund, and a further payment as rental of 2½ per cent. on the excess of the gross receipts in any one year over $5,000,000.

The contractor undertakes to run trains of two kinds, local and express trains. The local trains are to be run at an average speed between stations of not less than fourteen miles an hour, and express trains at an average rate of speed of not less than thirty miles an hour. During the day trains are to be run to meet the reasonable requirements of the public. During two hours and a half of the night trains are to be run at intervals of not less than ten minutes, and between the hours of 1 and 5 A. M. they are to be run at intervals of not less than fifteen minutes.

Advertisements in the cars and stations are only permitted within certain limits, and subject to the approval of the board. The contract also requires that the contractor shall supply rolling stock of a superior quality; that it shall be adequate to the requirements of the public; that schedules of the equipment shall be filed so as to make the lien of the city readily enforceable, and that the equipment shall be kept at all times in good order.

The right of the city to use the tunnels for police and fire telegraphs and other municipal uses is preserved.

Provision is made for a valuation of the equipment at the termination of the first period of fifty years under the lease in case the city does not then renew the lease to the contractor.

MR. HAMMERSTEIN WILL MOVE.

Court Order Asked for Directing Him to Leave His House, Which Had Been Sold Under Foreclosure.

Application was made to Justice Cohen in the Supreme Court yesterday by David M. Neuberger, counsel for James Everard, the brewer, for an order directing Malvina Hammerstein and her husband, Oscar Hammerstein, to give up possession immediately of the house 44 West One Hundred and Twentieth Street to Robert J. Tracy, Everard's partner, who purchased the place under a judgment of foreclosure at a sale held on March 21 last.

The counsel asked further that the Sheriff be directed to take possession of the premises from Mr. and Mrs. Hammerstein and remove them therefrom, and any other persons who might be there. Mr. Neuberger said that the property was sold under a judgment for the foreclosure of a second mortgage of $15,000, there being a prior mortgage of $35,000. The premises were purchased by Mr. Tracy for $48,000, and there was a deficiency judgment against Hammerstein for $14,000. The referee had the deed to the purchaser duly recorded on March 23, and Hammerstein stated that he would give up possession on Friday last. Since then, however, he has changed his mind, and on Monday said he would leave when he "got good and ready." This action, counsel said, was in direct defiance of the order of the court.

Mr. Hammerstein's counsel asked for an adjournment until to-day on the ground that the papers were served on him only on Wednesday, and he was not familiar with the case. Justice Cohen stated that he did not see that there was any defense to the motion, but granted the adjournment.

It was said that Mr. Hammerstein would make an effort to have the sale of the property set aside on the ground that he had been offered almost twice as much as the property brought. When seen last evening Mr. Hammerstein denied that he had any intention of having the sale set aside. When asked if he intended to vacate the premises, Mr. Hammerstein said that he would vacate the house to-day, and that all his household effects were in readiness to be moved.

KINGS COUNTY GRAND JURY.

Considerable Work Left Over for the April Term.

The March Grand Jury of Kings County will bring its labors to a close to-day, and there is still enough material in the hands of Assistant District Attorney Clarke to make considerable work for the April Grand Jury. The jury yesterday took up the affairs of the Park Department, but no effort was made to make the investigation a thorough one. Members of the firm of Cody Brothers, who had trouble with Timothy L. Woodruff when he was Park Commissioner, are said to be prepared to give testimony on the affairs of the department in 1896. Daniel Doody and Michael J. Dady were witnesses yesterday.

The detectives of the District Attorney's office are looking for a Mr. Cohn, who was said to be a member of the Republican County Committee, and who held a minor place in the City Works Department. Several new indictments are looked for to-day.

MORTON'S BRIDE UNWELCOME.

He Married a Colored Soubrette and May Be Disinherited.

The parents of William L. Morton of 649 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, are much incensed over his marriage to Zoe Ball, a colored concert hall singer. The Morton family is very wealthy. Morton first met the woman last Summer, while she was performing in a concert hall at Coney Island. A strong infatuation sprang up between them, and Morton's parents, when they learned of it, made every effort to break it off.

Two weeks ago the Rev. Mr. Guelich of the Harrison Avenue Lutheran Church married them. After the ceremony Morton took his dusky bride to a furnished flat at 139 Harrison Avenue, where they remained until a few days ago, when they left town. It is believed they have gone to Kentucky. Morton's father has expressed his intention of disinheriting his son. Morton is twenty-nine years old.

WANAMAKER'S MODISH DISPLAY.

An Extraordinary Exposition of Imported Costumes.

Animated by a desire to do something so far removed from the ordinary sphere of trade displays as to deserve consideration from an artistic standpoint alone, Wanamaker disclosed to his fair patrons yesterday an exposition of imported costumes such as they never saw before. Features entirely and surprisingly new are introduced in this rich showing of imported street, dinner, and evening gowns, silk waists, skirts, and lingerie. Wanamaker's costume chief, who is in close touch with the world of fashion abroad, has translated a dream—a dream that all womankind indulges in about beautiful things to wear. He has filled one-half of the entire second floor of the great store at Broadway, Fourth Avenue, and Ninth and Tenth Streets with the tangible fabrics, vivid colors, and modish forms illustrative of the newest and richest products of the European centres, where costume fashion is born.

A bewildering variety of elaborate, novel, and dainty garments is included in this display. Every part of Europe where the fine art of dressing is understood has contributed its proportion to his harmonious aggregation. Women who go to this exposition with the expectation of finding bargains will probably be disappointed, but those who go to study the latest and most exclusive fashions will find object lessons far beyond their expectations. Many of the garments shown are from the hands of certain private and Court designers who have never before allowed their productions to go out for other than their own personal patrons. The long list of those whose works will be found in this collection includes Drecoll of Vienna, the dressmaker to the Courts of both Russia and Austria, and said to be the most exclusive modiste in all Europe; Worth of Paris, who sends a duplicate of a gown made a month ago for the Queen Regent of Spain; Doucet, leader of the mercantile modistes, whose contributions are principally of dinner dresses; Mlle. Corne, brilliant, original, and wonderfully creative; Henriette Favre, who counts among her clients the Princess of Wales, the Duchess of Devonshire, and other notables of England; Rouff, Paquin, Laferierre, and half a dozen other costume celebrities.

This exhibition will continue only three days. It is not designed as a mercantile enterprise, but simply as a demonstration of power on the part of a great mercantile house.—Adv.

J. C. SHEEHAN WINS AGAIN

At His Demand Croker Gives Orders that John B. McGoldrick Be Sacrificed.

LOSES A $4,000 OFFICE

T. F. Smith, Mr. Croker's Private Secretary, Named in His Place as Chief Clerk of the City Court—Sheehan's Enemies to be Disciplined.

John B. McGoldrick was removed yesterday from the Chief Clerkship of the City Court and Thomas F. Smith was appointed to the place. The removal and appointment were dictated by Mr. Croker at the request of John C. Sheehan. The Chief Clerk of the City Court holds office at the pleasure of the Judges. The pay is $4,000 a year. McGoldrick held the place nearly seven years, and his appointment was charged to the Ninth Assembly District, of which Mr. Sheehan is the recognized leader. Smith hails from the same district. He was private secretary to Mr. Sheehan when Mr. Sheehan was the leader of Tammany Hall, and he has acted in the same capacity for Mr. Croker for the last four months.

McGoldrick is the victim of his own bad judgment. He was prominent in Tammany Hall and was well thought of by the leaders until Mr. Sheehan fell from grace. When he was a candidate for appointment as City Clerk after the Tammany victory of last Fall his friendship for Mr. Sheehan was quoted against him, and he did not get the place. At the annual reorganization of the Tammany committees in January he was dropped from the office of Secretary of the Executive Committee, and Thomas F. Smith succeeded him. His friendship for Sheehan was given as the reason for the change.

A month ago when a movement was started in the Ninth District to depose Mr. Sheehan, it was whispered that Mr. Croker was behind it. McGoldrick became prominent in the movement, and urged his friends to support it. At the meeting of the district committee called to discuss the matter, Thomas F. Smith, representing Mr. Croker, declared that Mr. Croker had not interfered and would not interfere in the fight.

Mr. Sheehan's friends—he was in Florida at the time—rallied to his support, and the anti-Sheehanites were outnumbered. Mr. Sheehan returned from Florida Wednesday, and at once demanded the removal of McGoldrick. The other leaders of the movement against him will be disciplined in turn, it is said, but McGoldrick is the only office-holder among them.

Mr. Croker saw the force of Mr. Sheehan's demand, and was pleased with his choice of a successor to McGoldrick. Orders were issued to the Judges, and at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon McGoldrick was told that he was dismissed. Mr. Smith will assume the office to-day.

Some of Mr. Sheehan's friends affect to believe that the promptness with which Mr. Croker acceded to Mr. Sheehan's request presages a speedy resumption of cordial relations between the two men, but the general belief is that Mr. Croker merely seized the opportunity presented to him to secure a place for his secretary, and to illustrate his declaration of home rule without interference for the different districts.

Neither Mr. Croker nor Mr. Sheehan would discuss the matter last night. Mr. Croker dined at the Democratic Club with Hugh J. Grant, and Mr. Sheehan spent the evening at the Pequod Club.

APPOINTMENTS AND REMOVALS.

Deputy Tax Commissioners Must Take a Civil Service Examination.

These changes were announced yesterday in the Department of Charities: Ex-Alderman Joseph Schilling, to be Superintendent of the City Hospital, in place of E. J. Leet, removed; Henry J. Jetter, dock master, in place of S. E. Japha, removed; A. J. Dickerson, storekeeper, in place of J. T. Egan, removed.

Ex-Assemblyman James P. Reilly was appointed purchasing agent to the Fire Department yesterday at a salary of $2,400. Mr. Reilly belongs to the Twenty-third Assembly District, and his appointment was made despite the protest of William Stillings, the district leader.

President Feitner of the Department of Taxes and Assessments yesterday abolished the office of Secretary to the Tax Commission and removed C. R. Tyng, the incumbent. The salary of the place was $3,000. Alonzo Bell, assistant to the Commissioners, at $2,700, was also removed. On April 11 the Civil Service Commission will hold an examination for Deputy Tax Collector. The appointments recently made by the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Richmond were only temporary, and the men appointed will have to take the examination.

The salary of Frank W. Geraty, who was appointed Chief Inspector in the Department of Public Buildings, Lighting, and Supplies last week, has been fixed at $2,500 a year.

DR. TARLETON H. BEAN REMOVED.

Office of Superintendent of the Aquarium Declared Abolished.

President Clausen of the Department of Parks yesterday wrote to Dr. Tarleton H. Bean, Superintendent of the Aquarium, that the office had been abolished and that his services were no longer required. L. B. Spencer, who has charge of the fresh water department of the Aquarium, was instructed to assume control until other arrangements are made.

Dr. Bean said last night that he would not accept the dismissal and that he would continue to occupy his office in the Aquarium until removed by force. He is a veteran of the war and he has been instructed by counsel that he cannot be removed except on charges after a trial.

"Attorney General Hancock wrote to Albert D. Shaw, Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic," he said, "that 'a veteran may not be removed by the abolition of his office unless the position is abolished in good faith and not for the purpose of removing the incumbent. The courts have decided that no sophistries or technicalities can be invoked to evade the law.'

"Now I know," he continued, "that the office of Superintendent of the Aquarium is not to be abolished. Its name may be changed, but not the duties to any great extent. As a matter of fact, my successor has already been appointed, although he has not taken the oath of office yet. I knew even before Mr. Clausen wrote complaining of the Aquarium and asking my resignation that my place had been promised to Mr. Croker's friend Col. James E. Jones."

Mr. Clausen wrote to Dr. Bean asking his resignation on March 23, and in response to Dr. Bean's refusal to give it, wrote again, complaining of the condition of the Aquarium and insisting upon him resigning. He wrote that the management was extravagant, the lighting and ventilation bad, and the collection of fish indifferent. Dr. Bean replied that he was not responsible for the lighting and ventilation, and that the other complaints were not founded on fact.

PARK BOARD MEETING.

Contract Let for Horticultural Buildings in Bronx Park.

At the meeting of the Park Board yesterday the contract for the erection of the horticultural buildings for the Botanical Gardens in Bronx Park was let to John R. Sheehan for $110,000. The board also authorized the Trustees of the Museum of Natural History to purchase exhibition cases to cost $18,000 without advertising for bids.

The board passed a resolution asking for the issuance of $50,000 bonds for regulating and improving William H. Seward Park, at Canal and Division Streets. To P. & R. Donovan was awarded the contract for supplying the Brooklyn Department with forage, and to John F. Malley the contract for supplying the same department with garden mold, their bids of $4,450 and $4,750 respectively being the lowest.

Chief Engineer Montgomery A. Kellogg, who has been in the Park Department over forty years, is ill with Bright's disease, and was not present at the meeting.

LEGAL NOTES.

ANCIENT TITLES OF COMMUNITIES ON LONG ISLAND.—Newbold T. Lawrence, and others, in their action against the town of Hempstead, Queens County, to restrain it from interfering with a tract of salt meadows, or marsh and beach, at Rockaway, forming the extreme westerly portion of the township of Hempstead and the easterly part of Rockaway Neck, relied, in their proof of claim of title, upon a "fencing order" made at town meeting in 1659, and allotments in 1678, a deed by the allottees to Jacob Hicks in 1725, confirmatory action at subsequent town meetings, and a partition suit between the Hicks heirs. The town insisted that the property was part of its common lands, of which it had never become divested. The late General Term of the Supreme Court, in Brooklyn, in December, 1894, reversed judgment given at Special Term in favor of the defendant, and that decision has now been affirmed by the Court of Appeals, which held, in an opinion by Judge Gray, that while the informalities of the allotments, the scantiness of the records, and the shifting nature of the landmarks tended to confusion and uncertainty, the facts, beginning with the fencing order as the source of title to private ownership, led to the reasonable conclusion that the town had disposed of the premises, and that its allottees granted them by the deed of 1725. The Court held that the plaintiffs had made out a presumptive title, and that the town had failed to rebut the presumption, and to show that, in its general division and allotments of the common lands, it had reserved any part of the Rockaway meadow lands from private ownership. The ownership of the territory of the town of Hempstead, under the Colonial grant, was held to be in the town, in its corporate capacity, and not in the patentees named in the grant, nor in the inhabitants of the town, and the early mode of division by the town of its common lands among the patentees, or their associates or successors, by a "fencing order," when duly made at a town meeting, could operate as a valid source of title. It was held to be too late, after the lapse of 250 years, to criticise, on account of the absence of legal forms, transfers on which the titles of great communities were based. It was found that the lands were incapable of actual possession, and it appeared that they could be reached only by a private lane over the Hicks upland, on which toll was charged, or by boats; that the town people, from early in this century, had gone upon the marshes to cut sedge grass, upon days picked by town meeting, and that within recent years the town had granted privileges to erect hotels and other buildings on the premises, and licenses to plant oysters in the creeks and coves. This, however, in view of all the circumstances, including the probability that the premises did not represent much value until the new uses to which the town had sought to put them, the quiescence of the Hicks heirs while owners of the upland was held not to be incompatible with private ownership of the meadow lands.

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TRANSACTIONS WITH A LUNATIC'S ATTORNEY.—A judgment recovered by Helen S. Merritt and another in their action against John Merritt, as executor of Hannah B. Merritt, impleaded, with others, to foreclose a mortgage executed in the name of Hannah B. Merritt, the testatrix, on the 26th of May, 1891, by George Merritt, her attorney in fact, has been unanimously reversed by the First Appellate Division. The mortgagee was William Post, and the bond and mortgage were afterward assigned to plaintiff, who, it is claimed, gave no consideration therefor. The defense was that at the time of the execution of the mortgage Hannah B. Merritt, the testatrix, was in feeble health and had wholly lost her mind, and that that fact was known to Post when he took the mortgage, and also known to the plaintiffs. The latter proved the power of attorney to George Merritt, which was executed in 1871. The defendant was not permitted to prove the mental condition of the testatrix at the time of the execution of the mortgage, or that Post knew she was non compos mentis. The quesion on appeal was whether one who deals with a lunatic, knowing him to be such at the time, is protected in his dealings and acquires rights against the lunatic because the transaction is had with a person who holds a power of attorney made by the lunatic at a time when he was sane. Justice Rumsey, who gave the opinion, held that a lunatic could not contract, and one only acquired rights against him or his estate where he had, for the benefit of the lunatic, advanced money or done service, and then he was permitted to recover only the actual amount of money advanced or the reasonable value of the property or services furnished. "Does one who deals with the lunatic through an agent," Justice Rumsey said, "acquire any better right than if he dealt with the lunatic in person? The learned Justice who decided this case at the Special Term was of the opinion that he did. The argument was that the power of attorney given by Mrs. Merritt when she was sane was not revoked by her lunacy, and therefore the person to whom it was given had the same authority to act in her name after as before her lunacy." The Court holds that when one undertakes to deal with an agent having a written power of attorney, and equally with the agent knowing of the insanity of the principal, the transaction thus made has no more weight than if the transaction had been directly with the insane principal himself.

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LIABILITY FOR DEATH OF SICK PASSENGER.—On the trial of a suit brought by Mary B. Wells, as administratrix, for damages from the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, for the death of her husband, the complaint was dismissed, but the Fourth Appellate Division has sustained exceptions ordered to be heard there in the first instance, and a new trial has been ordered. It appeared that George H. Wells, the intestate, who resided at Leroy, N. Y., about a year ago bought a ticket at the railroad station, to go to Rochester and return. He showed the gateman his ticket and was told to sit down and that he would be notified when the train arrived. While sitting in the waiting room it was seen by the gateman and others that Wells was ill and unable to take care of himself. The gateman forgot to comply with the request made to notify the intestate of the arrival of his train, and thereafter directed a policeman to eject him from the station, stating that "he was not in a condition of mind to go on any train." The policeman did eject him, and the sick man, while wandering about the tracks near the station, was run over by a train and killed. The court holds, by Justice Follett, that the railroad company was liable for the damages resulting from the man's death; that in such a case the intestate had become a passenger to whom the company owed an active duty in caring for his safety, and whom, if it deemed him unfit to travel, it should put in a place of safety or give him into the custody of an officer of the law authorized to take charge of persons in his condition."

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A COW CASE.—Thomas Kelly was successful in a Justice's Court in Seneca County in his suit against Jesse Morehouse to recover damages for the death of a cow. The County Court affirmed the judgment, but further appeal to the Fourth Appellate Division has resulted in a reversal, with a heavy bill of costs against the plaintiff. In January, 1877, the cow was left with the defendant, under a contract for her care and keep at a stipulated price per week, and she was to run about the strawstack in the barnyard, the defendant giving the assurance that she would be all right and would not be hurt. The farm was carried on by a Mrs. King and her daughter, as the defendant's agents. The cow was fed some apples one day by the daughter, one of which lodged in the animal's throat, causing her to die from suffocation. The court held, per curiam, that a declaration made by the daughter, some time after the death of the cow, that apples had been fed to her, and that she thought "some of them were frozen," was inadmissible, not having been made by the agent while acting within the scope of her authority, and being too remote in point of time to constitute a part of the res gestae.

Catholic Clergymen Transferred.

Bishop Wigger yesterday appointed the Rev. James F. Mooney Curate of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church of Jersey City, rector of St. Cecelia's Church, at Kearny, whose rector, the Rev. Thomas J. Kernan, will go to Passaic to succeed the Rev. John A. Sheppard, the new rector of St. Michael's Church, Jersey City. All the changes indicated will take effect next Tuesday.

A Tweed Bond Canceled.

A public improvement bond for $500, bearing the names of A. Oakey Hall, Mayor; W. H. Tweed, Commissioner of Public Works; Richard Connolly, Controller, and Peter B. Sweeney, President of the Park Board, was presented to Mayor Van Wyck yesterday for cancelation.

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METHODISTS IN SESSION

An Interesting Day for the New York Conference at the Metropolitan Temple.

THE PEACE POLICY UPHELD

The Rev. W. F. Anderson Says War Is to be No More in This Land—Bishop Hartzell Forsees a Terrific African War.

Demonstrations of a patriotic character were freely interspersed with the routine work of the New York Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church yesterday in the second day of the ninety-ninth session, at the Metropolitan Temple. Nearly 400 ministers and about 100 women were present at the morning gathering, over which Bishop John F. Hurst presided. Installed behind the presiding officer sat the Rev. Dr. E. G. Andrews, Resident Bishop, and the Rev. Dr. J. C. Hartzell, Bishop of Africa, the largest diocese in the world.

When Bishop Hartzell stepped forward, the conference rose spontaneously in greeting. The Bishop described his travels for the last year and a half, during which he had covered 46,000 miles.

"There is in Africa," the Bishop said, "a very great field for mission work. It is, moreover, the scene of the greatest international contest on earth to-day. The difficulty of pacific intercourse among the sections may be understood when we reflect upon the number of empires in that continent more than half as large as the United States. Unless there is great wisdom shown in Berlin, London, and other diplomatic centres, within one year there will be a terrific war in Africa." The partition of Africa among the nations of Europe would result in the rapid subsidence of heathenism, the Bishop believed.

Bishop Andrews merely thanked the conference for its reception of him. "The poor you have always with you," he said with a smile.

Dr. Hamilton's Remarks.

The Rev. Dr. J. W. Hamilton, Secretary of the Freeman's Aid and Southern Education Society, was another speaker. "I am here as a representative of an army that you would be glad to have fight Spain, or any other country, if it came to war," he said.

Later, speaking of the decadence of the "courtly" negro in the South, and of the characteristics of the present generation, Dr. Hamilton created a momentary hush by saying in an impressive tone: "I believe the black race in this country, as a mass, was infinitely better in the days of slavery than as a mass it is to-day. Lynching had diminished through the introduction of schools for the negro, Dr. Hamilton said, and there had not been a lynching in a county where the society had established a school for ten years.

The Rev. W. H. Brooks, pastor of St. Mark's Church, (colored,) in West Fifty-third Street, jumped to his feet after Dr. Hamilton had ceased speaking, and indignantly exclaimed that, on behalf of his people, he took emphatic exception to the assertion that the black race was better in slave days. He did not elaborate on his protest, and Dr. Hamilton made no reply.

The Rev. W. F. Anderson, pastor of the Washington Square Church, delivered a sermon on "The Stars in Their Courses Fought Against Sisera," Judges, v. 20, in which he deprecated the prevalence of pessimism and pleaded for a stubborn resistance to its encroachments.

War to be No More.

"Shall war be allowed to stir the tempests of men's passions? No; war will not stand alike against the reasons of brotherhood and love," said the speaker. "This doctrine has been expressed with no greater significance to-day than by the course of President William McKinley, in the calmness of his attitude toward the question of the hour, in his unruffled disposition to continue to lead a peace-loving and, if I may be permitted to say it, a liberty-loving people. No, and again, no; war is to be no more in this land."

The Rev. Dr. J. M. Buckley, editor of The Christian Advocate, referring to utterances not of an orthodox nature, said: "It would give me the greatest pleasure to stand face to face with Dr. J. Minot Savage to discuss with him the evangelical issues and those things he is setting forth."

A service in observance of the anniversary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society was held in the afternoon. Singing by Miss Charlotte B. Gould of Chicago and addresses by Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, Mrs. S. F. Beiler, and Bishop John F. Hurst were the features.

In the evening the anniversary of the missionary society was observed. Addresses were made by the Rev. A. M. Griffin, the Rev. Dr. J. J. Reed, and the Rev. Dr. W. T. Smith.

This afternoon at 2:30 o'clock will be held a service for the consecration of deaconesses at the Metropolitan Temple, conducted by Bishop Hurst.

PATRIOTISM AT EAST ORANGE.

Newark Conference to Support the Government in Peace or War.

ORANGE, N. J., March 31.—There was hardly a vacant seat in Calvary Methodist Church, East Orange, this morning, when the ministers of the Newark Conference, which is holding its forty-first annual session there, opened the session. The committee of nine named to draft resolution on the Spanish-Cuban matter presented the following report:

The Newark Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in session at this time of excitement and peril, expresses to the President of the United States its hearty appreciation of his patient and patriotic course in seeking to avert war without sacrificing the honor of the country or the claims of humanity; assures him of our prayers for divine guidance and support in the great responsibility now upon him, and, while praying that war may be avoided, in case it is found necessary, pledges the Government the same loyal support which our preachers and people have always given whenever the Nation was in danger.

There were no remarks, the entire conference rising in favor of the report. The members then sang two stanzas of "Amarica."

The Conference in Camden.

CAMDEN, March 31.—The Methodist Episcopal Conference here to-day debated the question of allowing lay delegates equal representation in the conference with clergymen. There were some warm speeches on both sides of the question. The conference seems to be pretty evenly divided. The vote will be taken to-morrow. Several ministers in the debate exchanged personalities, which caused Bishop McCabe to remind them they were Christians, and that such talk would not be tolerated in a political meeting. The lay conference met this afternoon and effected organization by electing James F. Rusling, President.

New York East Conference.

Yesterday was missionary day in the New York East Conference. The four presiding elders made their reports, all showing marked progress in growth of membership, new churches, and missionary collections.

Brigade Died from Burns.

Rafaello Brigade, twenty-seven years of age, of 324 East One Hundred and Ninth Street, died at his home yesterday of burns received on March 20. He was rheumatic and his wife made a mixture of turpentine and benzine for external application. She had rubbed some of the mixture on his body early on the morning of March 10, when she lit a match to see better. Her hands and the parts of the man's body which had been touched by the mixture were set afire, and Brigade's death has resulted. Mrs. Brigade is nearly well.

Street Sweeper Instantly Killed.

Daniel Wagner, a street sweeper fifty years old, of One Hundred and Sixty-ninth Street and Audubon Avenue, was instantly killed yesterday afternoon at Forty-first Street and Seventh Avenue by an express wagon driven by Patrick Milatt of 198 Communipaw Avenue. Milatt, who, it is alleged, was intoxicated, was driving recklessly at the time. He was arrested after a chase, and was locked up in the Tombs in default of $2,500 bail. He denied that he was on the truck at all.

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